

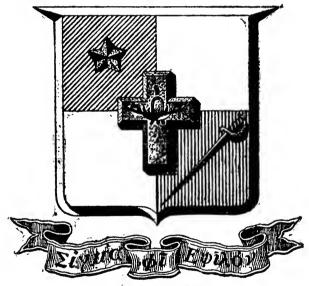


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CONTRIBUTIONS

CHAPTER SONGS

Kansas Alpha, in this issue of the JOURNAL, submits three more songs for the consideration and use of the fraternity at large. Our local chapter has ever emphasized the musical side of our Fraternity life and are glad to make whatever contribution we can to the musical interests of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

I have had the privilege of visiting a large number of fraternities and observing them in their chapter life. Too often there is almost total neglect of musical enjoyment. This is unfortunate. For what can promote fraternalism more than the enthusiastic participation in a rousing fraternity song? What can stir the heart of the old "grad" more than the singing of the fraternity songs of his college I have seen the eyes of some of our alumni swim in tears of joy and appreciation as the boys of Kansas Alpha sang some of the songs we here submit. The power of song has been recognized through the ages. These influences are far more potent in fraternity life for we here have interests and purposes more nearly similar than is possible in other spheres and organizations. Let us then give expression to our enthusiasm through one of the most enjoyable and profitable avenues—chapter singing. To this end let our brothers of talent give time and attention to the composition of new songs and let each chapter send in songs as rapidly as they are composed.

We do not expect that these songs will mean to our sister chapters what they do to Kansas Alpha. You have not had the privilege of knowing their composers and the circumstances of their composition. However, I feel that a few remarks about each song would not be out of order.

The one by Brother Allis is very impressive when properly sung.

What has seemed to us the best method of rendering this song is to let some capable brother sing the stanzas as a solo with the whole chapter singing the chorus. The words and sentiment are well adapted to the old familiar air. The chorus is especially popular with us being sung often without the stanzas lending itself to beautiful harmony when all parts are sung. This song is especially valuable during rushing season.

The song "Jolly Bunch" by Brother Lawless both in words and music, very accurately portrays the jollity and good feeling characteristic of chapter life. We have sung this song for five years but its popularity increases with our chapter and friends each year. The local references can easily be adapted to any institution.

When we think of the song "Memories" an interesting study presents itself in contrasting this song with "Jolly Bunch." It seems to be the opposite in almost every respect. The sentiment is one of seriousness and reverence. The history of the composition of these two songs is interesting as an explanation of this difference. "Jolly Bunch" was composed while Brother Lawless was taking active part in the life of the fraternity amid all the joys and good feeling of college fraternalism and gives expression to that atmosphere. "Memories" was written many miles from the environment of chapter life. Two years ago Brother Lawless and I spent our vacation in Colorado and Utah. The latter part of our summer was spent in the valley of fruit and blossoms at Palisades, Colorado. such surroundings it is extremely difficult to refrain from poetry and music. Scarcely an evening passed that we did not get out into that matchless western atmosphere and before we were conscious of it we were talking of chapter days and singing fraternity songs. I was not surprised, therefore, to find Brother Lawless one afternoon playing the newly composed music of "Memories." But as yet no words were composed. He studied several days but with no results. "I know what I want to say, but I can't make 'er go," he said. I was called on for assistance but, being devoid of a poetic soul I was unable to "make 'er go." A few days later he came in singing "Memories" with great enthusiasm. After repeated questioning as to how and where he replied, "I was in the top of that peach tree and sang the whole business right off." And so he did. The song stands

practically unchanged from that first singing in the peach tree. It was thus away from the "fellows" that the feeling, so beautifully expresses in that last stanza of which comes to every genuine fraternity man when the ties of active fraternity life are severed, was put to music.

Let us work up more enthusiasm for chapter singing throughout the fraternity securing immeasurable profit to ourselves as individuals and as a fraternity. Each chapter should have a good quartette, or a double quartette, to sing on special occasions and to form the nucleus for the rest on ordinary occasions. That we may have our new song book at an early date each chapter should submit at once all songs they have been using locally. Doubtless all the chapters have songs not yet submitted.

"Let Music fill the air."

VIRDON M. LISTON, '11 Kansas Alpha

Tune-JUST BREAK THE NEWS TO MOTHER.

When the students were arriving,
Within a college, a college town,
To start a year of study
And win themselves renown,
A certain lad among them
Set all the Frats astir,
Why, every Frat. desired him as it were.
"We want you," they all told him,
"We want you for our own,
Just say the word we'll pledge you right today."
For his answer then they waited,
And soon they learned their fate;
His choice was made they heard him gladly say,—

Ever to his Frat. this fellow
Was loyal as could be
No reason to distrust her
His own Fraternity;
Throughout his course he honored
The purple and the red,
And ever strove to keep them at the head.
And e'en in years long after
When college days were o'er
He looked upon his Frat. the same old way,
And when the chance was offered
To speak a single word;
For his old Frat. you always heard him say,—

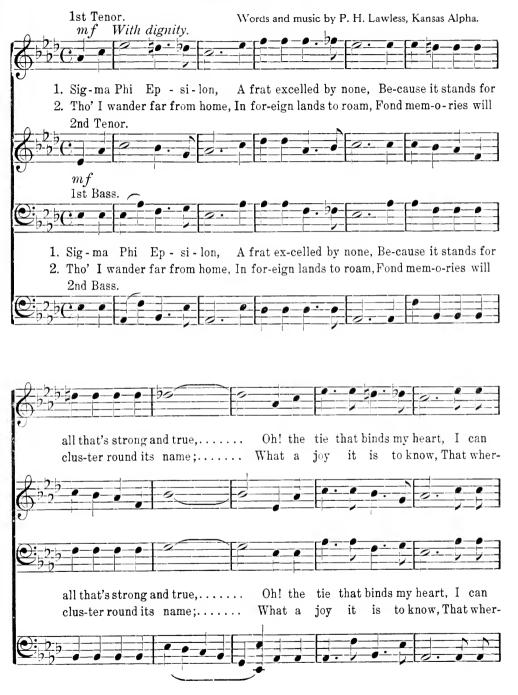
CHORUS

"Of all the Frats in college
Of which I have gained knowledge,
It seems to me that one's far best
When all's been said and done.
Indeed there is no other
In which I'd be a brother,
Oh, listen to the name I sing,
Sigma Phi Epsilon."

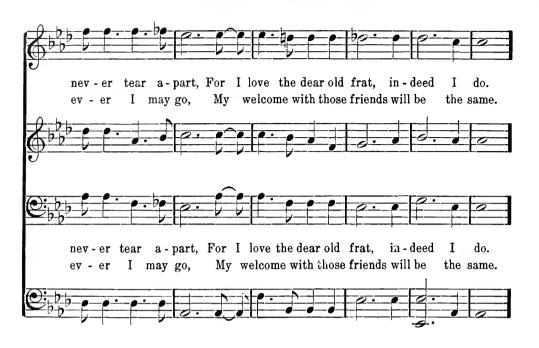
Frank Allis, '11 Kansas Alpha

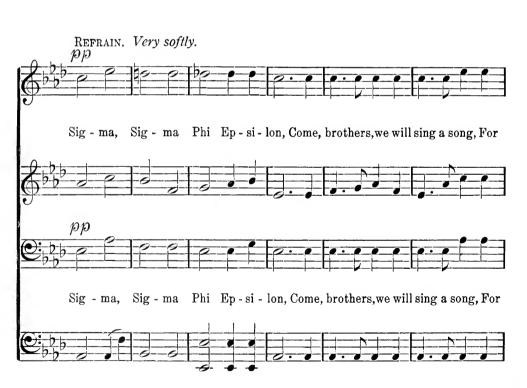
"Memories."

(MALE QUARTETTE.)



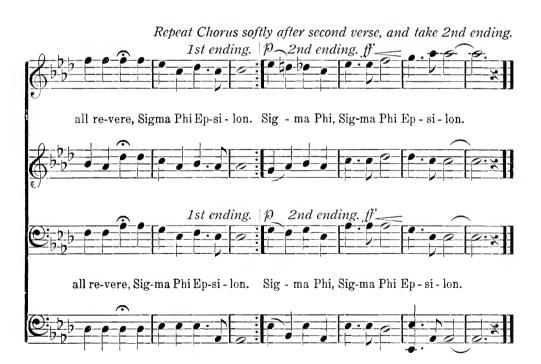
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A Jolly Good Bunch.



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A Jolly Good Bunch-Gontinued.

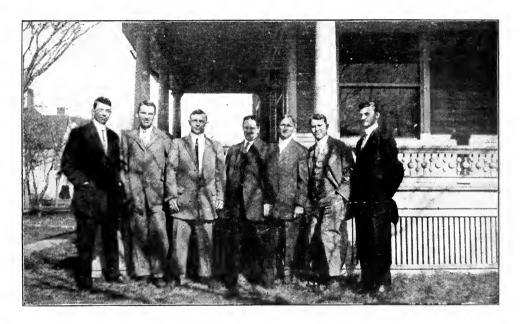


A Jolly Good Bunch-Goncluded.



INSTALLATION OF NEBRASKA ALPHA

Probably the most important event to our middle west chapters this year was the installation of the chapter at the University of Nebraska. The notice of the granting of this charter was received with more general pleasure than was any granted by the present committee. The University of Nebraska—a state institution—is located about midway between the Atlantic and the Pacific, and on three trans-continental railroads, making it easily accessible from all points. The university ranks among the first fifteen in the country

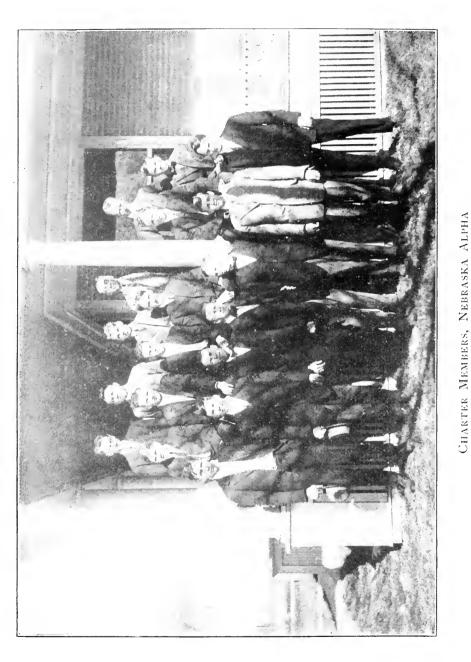


Installing Committee at Nebraska Installation M. R. Pyle, L. Anderson, W. L. Phillips, F. A. Price, V. M. Liston, A. S. Wight, A. B. Boeck as to the number of students and its curriculum is among the best.

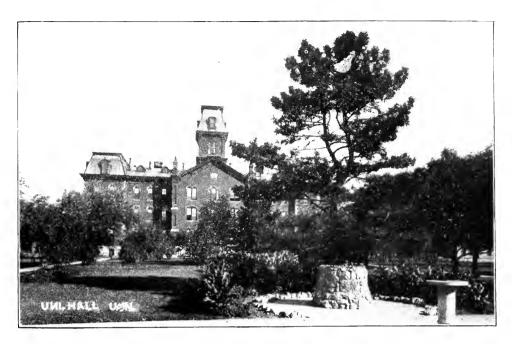
Under very pleasing conditions our most sacred ceremonies were carried out to the letter and seventeen active students and one alumnus pledged themselves to further the noble ideals portrayed by our Ritual.

Kansas Alpha sent three active brothers, V. M. Liston, A. S. Wight and M. R. Pyles, also two alumni brothers, F. A. Price and L. Anderson, while Colorado Alpha was represented by Brother A. B. Boeck. The Grand Chapter was represented by the Grand Secretary, W. L. Phillips.

The work of the delegates sent to assist in the installation cere-

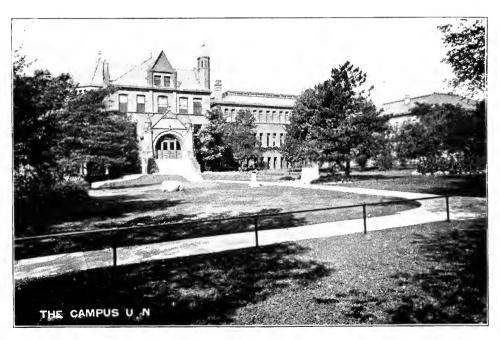


Top Row (left to right)—C. Harden, Ruby, McBrien, Bliss, L. Harden Second Row—Hall, Chamberlin, Quinn, Power, Cotton, Dye Bottom Rov—Lempke, Wirt, Spaulding, Andrews, Tunks, Rohde, Nicholson



OLD UNIVERSITY HALL UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

The First on the Campus



LIBRARY HALL, UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA
In the distance is Brace Hall, which houses the Physics Department and the Weather Bureau

monies was of high order and speaks well for the chapters that sent them.

The charter was received for the new chapter by Brother F. E. Rohde former president of the Local Kappa Tau Epsilon.

The evening was given to a most enjoyable banquet at the Lindell followed by short speeches by all of the visiting brothers and some of the local chapter. On the following day the university was visited but as the Easter holidays were on not as many of the buildings were open as usual.

From all view points the committee felt much elated over the placing of this chapter, the institution and its geographical position, the men and their apparent understanding of their new conditions, together with their ability to handle the business of the organization impressed all very forcibly.

A bright future seems assured for Nebraska Alpha.

RESOLUTIONS

Frank McGeehan, February 25, 1911.

Whereas, it has pleased God in his infinite wisdom to remove from our midst, our beloved brother, Frank McGeehan, and,

Whereas, he was a faithful and true member and lived up to the principles and ideals of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, be it therefore

Resolved, that in his death Ohio Alpha chapter of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity has been deprived of a most loyal member and has suffered an irreparable loss, and be it further

Resolved, that we the members of Ohio Alpha chapter of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity extend to the members of his bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy in their bereavement, assuring them that our sorrow is mutual and that we shall ever cherish his memory as a faithful brother and friend, and be it further

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to his mother, and a copy be spread upon the minutes of the chapter.

OHIO ALPHA CHAPTER.

THE SIGMA PHI EPSILON FRATERNITY,

C. L. MILLER, President,

G. H. VAN DEVOORT, Secretary.

April 13, 1911.

CHAPTER LETTERS

VIRGINIA ALPHA

Meets every Saturday 7:30 P. M., Hall on Campus.

The winter term examinations, together with the week end "Frolics" which generally follow them are now over and we are again down to hard work on the home stretch, the end being but 8 weeks away.

Unfortunately for Alpha we expect to graduate 6 men this year: This of course makes a good showing for the time being and we are justly proud of it, but still it would be better for the chapter if we didn't graduate all at the same time. Fortunately however most of them will be near and all have promised to be at college during the "Rush" season next fall.

On Friday night, March 31st, Alpha made somewhat of a "splurge" in the banquet line, by giving the largest fraternity banquet ever pulled off in this city. We had present with us representatives from each of the other national fraternities at Richmond College which are Kappa Alpha, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Kappa Sigma, Pi Kappa Alpha, and Kappa Sigma. We also had the pleasure of having with us our Grand Secretary Brother "Billy" Phillips an alumnus of Alpha; Brother Percy Ashly of Eta; Brother G. L. H. Johnson of Delta and Brother I. C. Elliot of Zeta. The banquet was chaperoned by the Mayor and Mrs. D. C. Richardson of Richmond. Everybody reported a good time.

With best fraternal regards for all brothers in $\Sigma \Phi E$.

V. L. Arnold.

VIRGINIA ALPHA.

Chapter Historian.

WEST VIRGINIA BETA WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY

Meets every Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the Chapter House at 412 High St., Morgantown, W. Va.

Since the last issue of the Journal many things have happened at West Virginia Beta which, we hope, may be of interest to our sister chapters. On the date of the issue of the Journal, March 1, two very promising young men were initiated into the mysteries of

Greekdom. It is a pleasure to introduce to the fraternity at large: Albert John Kern, Law, '12, Fairmont, W. Va.

Edgar Frank Heiskell, Medicine, '14, Davis, W. Va.

The initiates have taken hold of the work and are now working as hard in the interests of Σ Φ E, as the older brothers. They are both first class students, and are confirming the theory, formed a long time ago by West Virginia Beta, that whenever a man is found who tries to do his full duty as a student, it is safe to bank on him as a good fraternity brother in Σ Φ E.

During the winter term the chapter introduced what we are pleased to call, the "Daddy System." The system works as follows: For each pledge an old member, preferably an upper classman, is appointed as "daddy" to look after the work of the pledge. The "daddy" from time to time visits each professor, with whom the pledge has classes, and finds out the nature of the work that he is doing. Fortnightly reports are made by the "daddies" in meeting, and the pledges are privately interviewed by them. In this manner the pledge can find out his weak points and profit by his mistakes. The results of the system can be readily seen, for, when the reports of the winter exams, were received, not a man had "flunked," and in all cases a decided improvement was seen. The system in another form is being extended this term to include all the members. Fortnightly written reports are being received from the professors, as to the character of the work of each man. Let us hope that this method will prove as successful with the members as the "Daddy System" with the pledges.

On April 1st we moved back to our old quarters on High Street and now have fifteen men in the house. It took us "no time" to get straightened up again, and we are now ready to entertain any brother in Σ Φ E who may happen to find his way into this "neck of the woods." West Virginia Beta feels sorely the need of owning a chapter house. While we feel that the fond dream of owning a chapter house may not be in our time, yet we have introduced a plan, by which we hope those men who are to follow us in active membership in Σ Φ E may profit. We have taken steps to incorporate the chapter and have appointed a Building Fund Committee to look after the yearly subscriptions of our alumni members.

Although West Virginia Beta, since the beginning of her charter, has carried off fully a third of the honors in school in competition with nine other fraternities, yet her record has been none the less diminished this year. We are proud to give a partial list of the honors received by our men this year.

In the literary societies we are represented by brothers Ash, Kern, Wheat, and pledge Kellar. Brother Wyatt is president of the senior law class, and Brother Kern has the distinction of making the highest grades in the law department. Brothers Pocock, Grow, Tetrick, Ash, Taylor, and Kern have made some of the highest grades in college during the year. Brother Grow represents us as president of the Y. M. C. A., and Brother Wheat as editor of the Athenaeum.

In football we were represented by Brother Munk, as captain and halfback, with Brothers Taylor, Grow, and Bell in the line. Brother Pocock was manager and Wyatt assistant manager. We may add in passing that Brother Wyatt has been elected manager for the coming year.

In track Brother Grow represents us as manager and Brother Heiskell and Pledge Stephens are "there" when it comes to long distance runs.

In baseball we have Brother Wyatt as catcher and pledge Kellar on the squad. Brother Wheat as assistant manager is engaged in keeping the young "hopefuls" off the field, with the managership in view.

In the military department we are more than holding our own with the three senior officers of the Corps: Brother Grow as Major, Brother Tetrick as Senior Captain, and Brother Wheat as Captain, Adjutant.

Brother Moon represents us in the faculty as Assistant in Physics, and at the same time he is working toward his Master's degree. Through his excellence in class work, Brother Pocock is student assistant in Zoology.

We have accomplished much in the past and feel well assured that we will hold our own in the future, because our new members and pledges are coming men, not only in school but in active life. Perhaps we are too optimistic and to an extent egotistical in this respect, but combined with hard work and a will to do our dreams have come true with but few exceptions.

In closing we wish every brother in Σ Φ E the greatest possible success.

Fraternally,

Blake Taylor,

WEST VIRGINIA BETA.

Chapter Historian.

ILLINOIS ALPHA

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Meets every other Monday at 8 o'clock P. M. at the Chapter House, 725 Ashland

Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois.

Appreciation of the value of the Journal as a means of closer relationship between all in Σ Φ E is well exemplified at Illinois Alpha by the enthusiasm with which the Journal is received, and read. Illinois Alpha certainly agrees heartily with the last issue of the Journal in the necessity of the various chapters, making the Journal an important part of our fraternity work. For it is one of the most essential means we have of keeping our broad fraternal organization in close contact and up to its present high standard, revealing, as it does, the ideals and ambitious of each chapter and allowing them to understand one another better and to have more in common, a factor which we feel, is very essential in the making of a successful organization of any type.

For the perpetuation of the many high ideals and thoughts which are necessarily voiced in the letters from such a wide expanse of our country, and many colleges, must necessarily modify, and broaden the character of our brothers who read them.

What we need is united effort and work for Σ Φ E, and such can only be obtained by unity of our thoughts and ideals, and the Journal is pre-eminently the most potent factor in the furthering and the consummation of such a progressive slogan.

We, in Illinois Alpha, congratulate our brother,, Frank Carter, upon his recent election as Valedictorian of the present senior class. Brother Carter has always been an able and capable man in his work in medicine, and we not only feel proud of his election to such a

highly prized office, but also feel that the senior class showed good judgment in their choice.

Our initiates of this session are,

Initiated October 14, 1910.

John Justin Powell, '13, Winona, Minn.

Urban Volpert Comes, '13, Chicago, Ill., 657 Melrose St.

Lloyd H. Simmons, '13, Goshen, Ind.

Harvey Willard Tupper, '13, Woodstock, Ill.

James Henry Bloomfield, Jr., '13, Cedar Springs, Mich.

Irving Francis Barnett, '13, Chicago, Ill.

William Riley Brown, '13, Ogden, Utah, 2257 Moffat Ave.

Initiated November 21.

Francis Vincent Carberry, '13, Chicago, Ill.

Alba Clinton Edwards, '13, Lancaster, Wis.

George Henry Smith, '13, Peshtigo, Wis.

Floyd Albert Smith, '13, Banner, Ill.

Harry Albert Myers, '13, Galesburg, Ill.

Leroy Lowell Parke, '13, Besford, S. D.

Our election of officers held April 3rd resulted as follows: L. R.

Moore, L. H. Simons, J. H. Bloomfield, W. R. Brown, A. Thompson, J. J. Powell, A. C. Edwards. We congratulate our new officers under whom Illinois Alpha can conscientiously hope to accomplish much for the furtherance of the interests of $\Sigma \Phi E$.

The social activities of medical life are few, but the second $\Sigma \Phi E$ dance was held recently, and needless to say every one had a splendid time.

On the evening of March 23rd, the Alumni residing in the city, invited Illinois Alpha to banquet with them. Many attended and had a very pleasant time.

Brother Simon's sudden visit to his home town from March 23rd to 25th aroused much curiosity. We wonder why?

Brothers Hoffman and Vaughn have recently been sick with "mumps" and owing to unexpected complications have had their stay in bed prolonged. We all extend our sympathy.

Brother Edwards' father recently spent a few days with us.

Brother Culver of Colorado Alpha and Brother Smith, an alumnus

of the same chapter at present with the Allis Chalmers Mfg. Co. of Milwaukee, visited us March 30th. We enjoyed their brief visit very much.

In concluding we extend to our sister chapters best wishes for their success and further progress,

Fraternally,

C. J. McMullen.

ILLINOIS ALPHA.

Chapter Historian.

COLORADO ALPHA

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

Meets every Monday at 7:15 P. M. in the Chapter House, 1105 11th St.

Colorado Alpha welcomes Nebraska Alpha into the ranks of Sigma Phi Epsilon and extends to her the best wishes for a prosperous career.

This, the final month of the school year finds Colorado Alpha chapter in a most flourishing condition. Very few of the brothers have been forced to leave school for any reason, and throughout the year this chapter has taken her share of interest in all the student activities of the university.

Several of the brothers have been honored in various ways since the last letter to the JOURNAL. Brother Brace, '13, has been pledged to the Alpha Chi Sigma chemical fraternity. This is an honor seldom conferred upon a sophomore. Brother Fawcett was chosen by the faculty as the student best fitted to take charge of Colorado's annual high school day. This is the day when our university entertains all the high schools of the state at an interscholastic track and field meet. Brother Odlum was elected by the sophomore students of the university to the position of business manager of next year's junior annual,—The Coloradoan.

Throughout the year this chapter has maintained a high average of scholarship. Fraternities in general usually come in for their share of abuse as an element antagonistic to studies. This does not prove to be the case, however, at our university. The scholastic average of fraternity members is fully as high as that of the non-fraternity students and our own chapter ranks among the highest

in the university. It is probable that the system used by all fraternities here of sending into the faculty for monthly reports of the members is largely responsible for this condition.

Athletics are in full swing here again and although Colorado's prospects do not appear quite as bright as usual yet she is determined to keep up her record of having never lost a track on her own field. Brother Prouty was elected track captain and under his direction several of the brothers are working into winning form. Brothers McFadden and Heaton have both made their "C" and will be heard from again this season, while captain Prouty is a sure winner in the distance races. Brother Atkinson looks good in the dashes and the broad jump, while Brother Odlum has thus far led all competitors in the pole vault.

In debate Brothers Odlum and Dunklee were chosen to represent Colorado against Oklahoma. This year we are in a triangular debate with Kansas and Oklahoma.

The sophomores entertained the chapter with a house dance on April 7th. The house was neatly decorated with palms and streamers of purple and red. All brothers reported a most enjoyable time.

On founder's day this chapter had its annual banquet in Denver. Plans were started for a building fund and not many more seasons will pass before Colorado Alpha will have a chapter house of her own.

On June the 5th, we of this chapter, will enjoy our annual picnic at Glacier Lake. This lake, as the name implies, is formed by a glacier on the range and is situated in the mountains about 10,000 feet above sea level. About ten o'clock in the morning the picnickers leave on a special train for the lake over one of the most beautiful scenic railway lines of the west, "The Switzerland Trail of America." The afternoon is spent in rowing, fishing, or climbing mountains while the evening will be given over to dancing in the large pavilion. This picnic without a doubt is the most looked forward to social event of the year.

In closing Colorado Alpha wishes all the brothers leaving school this spring for the last time, the best of success in all their undertakings and that those returning to the fold will come filled with the true fraternal spirit which will make the year of 1911-12 the most successful in the history of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Fraternally yours,

F. B. Odlum,

COLORADO ALPHA.

Chapter Historian.

PENNSYLVANIA DELTA

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

Meets every Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock Chapter House, 3745 Spruce St.

Here at Pennsylvania we are feeling the effects of the spring weather and it requires an extra effort to resist the desire to give up all work, but we realize that such a method will not cure us and also that just ahead are the finals and we must prepare for them.

The chapter has prepared for the work of next year and elected the new officers. They will be installed at a banquet which will be held at our chapter house on May first. The chapter feels much gratified with the work accomplished in the past year. We have secured our quota of men and placed the chapter on a good working basis. Our men have taken an active part in university affairs of these we are proud to mention the success of Brother H. H. Way as a member of the "Mask and Whig." To be selected for a part by this organization is no small honor.

Brother Caleb Brinton, '12, is now captain of the U. of P. "gym" team—a worthy man in a worthy position.

Brother G. E. MacFarlane whom we have named the "Josh Billings" of New England was with us recently. We enjoyed his visit very much.

Brother J. W. Guise, '10, has become a part of our social body again having accepted a commercial position in Philadelphia.

Our fraternity dance this year was a great success and we considered it a very brilliant affair.

The various fraternities of the University of Pennsylvania, with the exception of a few musty ones, have provisionally adopted a "rushing agreement," which places the various Hellenic Bunches on their honor—and eradicates the insane method of pulling and hauling the plastic green ones about the campus and city. Our experiences, speaking generally, have taught us that this custom has established an unwise policy.

Freshmen are not to be pledged until six weeks of the college year have elapsed—this affords an opportunity of investigation on both sides—a normal selection will follow naturally.

Wishing all a successful and pleasant vacation, we are,

Fraternally,

Charles W. Ackley, Chapter Historian. PENNSYLVANIA DELTA.

VIRGINIA DELTA COLLEGE OF WILLIAM & MARY

Meets every Friday at 11 P. M. in Chapter House.

We are glad to have this opportunity of telling of our successes this session. Our chapter is we believe in better condition than ever before. From every viewpoint we see only advancement for Virginia Delta.

Since our last letter we have had visits from Brother Pitt, Burroughs, Tonkin. Sevedge, and Creekmore. It is a great pleasure to us to have these brothers with us and we hope that all of our alumni will find time to call on us.

A new feature has been added to our house, viz, a smoking and lounging room, here we find it convenient to entertain our friends without interfering with any ones study period.

In the recent performance given by the William and Mary Minstrels Brothers Arnold and Fentress took conspicuous parts. In baseball Brother Arnold is our representative but he has not been playing much this spring as he is applying for a degree.

We will lose by graduation Brother Arnold as an A. B. and Brother Fentress who will receive a teacher's diploma.

Virginia Delta extends an invitation to all brothers to visit her and wishes to all unbounded success.

Fraternally,

Milton A. Fentress,

VIRGINIA DELTA.

Chapter Historian.

NORTH CAROLINA BETA

NORTH CAROLINA COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND MECHANIC ARTS

Meets every Sunday 2 P. M.

Since the last issue of the Journal we have passed through another period of mid term examinations. Having met with some success and some disappointments, but mostly success.

This period has been over long enough for us to settle down for another terms work. We are glad to say, we have two more good men to introduce to the Fraternity at large, initiated on April the first.

Thomas W. Thorne, Mechanical Engineering, 1911, Littleton, N. C. Felix S. Hales, Civil Engineering, 1913, Wilsen, N. C.

Brother Thorn graduates this year being one of the honor men of the senior class. He is editor in chief of the college magazine, the *Red and White*. He expects to return to college to take a course in electrical engineering.

Brother Hales has the honor of making the highest grades in the sophomore class and is by no means a "Greasy Grind."

A. & M. has turned out one of the strongest baseball teams in the south. Having suffered only one defeat out of ten games. We expect to take the championship of the south Atlantic if not of the southern states. To our great surprise we defeated the Philadelphia Nationals in an easy walk by the score of 6 to 4. On the tenth of April we defeated Guilford College by the score of 5 to 2 which is the first time in three years either team has won.

In a few days' campaign the students of A. & M. College raised ten thousand dollars for the erection of a Y. M. C. A. building. The city of Raleigh gave ten thousand and John D. Rockefeller gave twenty thousand making a total of forty thousand dollars. The erection of this building will commence this summer, and will add much to the beauty of our campus. This building will be one of the finest college Y. M. C. A buildings in the State.

Work has begun on the new dormitory, which the State appropriated money for and will be completed by the beginning of the fall term.

The colleges of North Carolina hold their track meet in Raleigh and we expect to take first place in many of the events of the day.

Our chapter is represented by Brother Blount who will run in the "220."

Our chapter had a delightful "smoker" on the fifth of April, Brother Woodard of Raleigh being present.

On Easter Monday night the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity gives their annual dance to the other fraternities in college.

The date of the Sigma Phi Epsilon camping party has not as yet been definitely decided upon but will be between the middle of July and the first part of August. All brothers in Sigma Phi Epsilon will receive all particulars by writing to Brother J. D. Cooper, Montreat, N. C.

The annual dance of Sigma Phi Epsilon will be given on the night of June first. We will be glad to see any visitors present. With best wishes to all, we are,

Yours in Sigma Phi Epsilon,

G. T. Roth,

NORTH CAROLINA BETA.

Chapter Historian.

OHIO ALPHA

OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY

Meets every Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock in Chapter House, 517 So. Gilbert Street. For the last time this school year, Ohio Alpha sends greetings to her sister chapters in Σ Φ E.

The final examinations for last term are now over, and every one is ready for the work of finals. This is the busiest term of the year, with baseball, tennis and the annual camp of the student battalion at Lake Idlewild, all this besides our regular studies.

The long dreamed of Lehr Memorial Building is about to become a reality. Sufficient funds have been raised to start work on this building next fall. This shows the condition of affairs at Ohio Northern.

 Σ Φ E is well represented in both the baseball and the debating teams of the University. Brother C. F. Kurtz is class orator of this year's class, also a member of the Ohio Northern Debating team. In baseball Brothers Roberts, Thompson, Thomas and McVey are trying for the Varsity team, and are reasonably sure of making the positions for which they are trying.

William J. Bryan delivered a lecture in Brown Memorial Hall, March 30, and it was our great good fortune to have him as our guest during his stay here. We gave a banquet in his honor before the lecture. Among the other guests were President Emeritus H. S. Lehr and President A. E. Smith. The banquet was a grand success and will live long in the memory of all those who participated.

Another prominent gentleman whom we entertained during the term was Alexander Heinemann, who gave a song recital in Brown Memorial Hall, Saturday evening, February 18th.

During the interval between terms Ohio Alpha gave a house-party. There were many young ladies from out of town in attendance, and all enjoyed themselves very much. The chaperons were Prof. Eva Maglott and Mrs. Fred Charles, and under the management of these two efficient ladies, every thing went along smoothly, and to the satisfaction of all. Before the girls left they presented Ohio Alpha chapter with a very classy chafing dish. After this had taken place there were many sad and tearful farewells.

Brother Miller was unable to attend the house party because he was suddenly called home. Of course no one knows exactly what called him, but these frequent trips to Harrisburg and Washington, D. C., are beginning to arouse our suspicions.

In the death of Brother Frank McGeehan, who died Wednesday, February 23rd, 1911, at Youngstown, Ohio, we have lost an estimable brother and were also reminded that death is not a respector of persons and is ever present among us. Ohio Alpha passed resolutions and extended its heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved mother.

Our chapter house is to be thoroughly renovated in the near future. The rooms are all to be repapered, and every thing about the house will be fixed up generally.

We take pleasure in introducing to the fraternity at large:

Adelbert Charles Cole, Pharmacy, '12, Leipsic, Ohio.

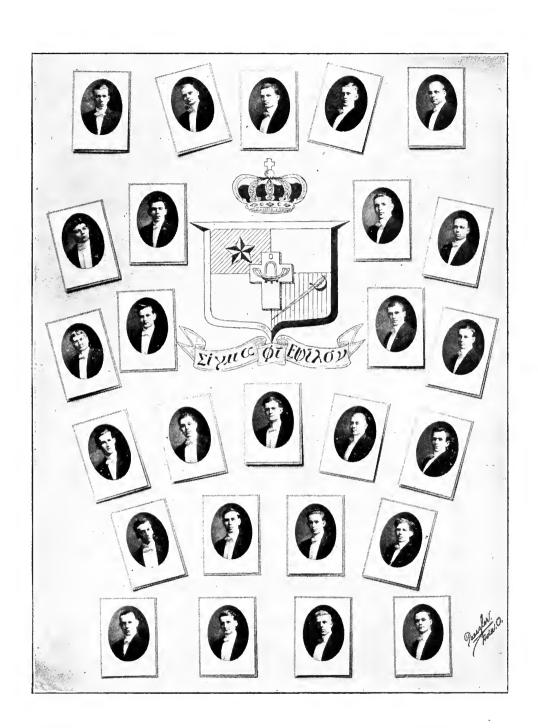
Initiated February 5, '11:

John Howard Henry, Engineering, '13, Washington, Pa. Initiated February 26, '11:

William R. Kerr, '12, Canton, Ohio.

Initiated March 5, '11:

Floyd Fred Turner, E. E., '12, Ada, Ohio.



Frank Oscar Oistad, C. E., '12, Chicago, Ill. Initiated March 12, '11:

Robt. C. Elliott, Chapter Historian. OHIO ALPHA.

INDIANA ALPHA PURDUE UNIVERSITY

Meets every Wednesday evening at 9:30 at the Chapter House, 102 Thornell Street, West Lafayette, Indiana.

Since our last letter we have held our annual initiation. On account of a faculty ruling fraternities at Purdue cannot initiate freshmen before April 1. On March 14 we held our annual installation banquet after which the freshmen were put on probation. Brothers Sheridan '09, Cavan '10, and Kolb '10, were present at the banquet. A number of speeches were made most of which dealt with such subjects as would give the freshmen an incite into what Indiana Alpha had done in the past and what the chapter stood for.

On Saturday night, April 1, we gave the freshmen a taste of the "rough house." All but the freshmen reported a most enjoyable evening. On Sunday afternoon and evening we gave the freshmen the ritual. We wish to formally introduce the following men to the fraternity:

Joseph Larimer Woodward, E. E., 1914, Omaha, Neb.

Carl Otto Bauer, E. E., 1914, Hammond, Ind.

Paul Munson Thayer, M. E., 1914, Plymouth, Ind.

Edward Martin Coyle, M. E., 1914, Angelica, N. Y.

David Walter Williams, C. E., 1914, East Chicago, Ind.

Fay William Clarke, Ag., 1914, Renssalaer, Ind.

Paul Charles Roush, Ch. E., 1914, Frankfort, Ind.

Paul Matteson Kroeger, C. E., 1914, Winona, Minn.

After the initiation, which was finished by 7:30, we gave an informal smoker at which chapter and fraternity affairs could be discussed, more freely than at any previous time.

Brother Thayer has been unfortunate in having the mumps, and as a result has been out of school almost two weeks. The day after he came back to school Brother Becker went home with the same ailment. Both are now back in school but neither seemed to have enjoyed his vacation.

We were very fortunate in having Brother E A. Clark '08, with us for a few days recently. As he lives so far from us he is unable to get back very often. Brother C. T. Cavan, '10, has been over to see us quite frequently since he has accepted a position in a neighboring town.

On February 17 we gave an informal dance at the chapter house. About twenty couples were present and all enjoyed a very pleasant evening despite the fact that a number arrived late due to the very inefficient carriage service in Lafavette.

In the "Mechanics Burning" parade the seniors of Indiana Alpha took a very active part. A float was prepared representing an ideal registrar's office. The seniors took the parts of those employed in this office and carried on the business of the office in a manner which would please the student body.

The Purdue Harlequin Club will soon produce George Ade's play, "The County Chairman." Brother Lebeau is the stage carpenter and has built the scenery for the show. Brothers Miller and Woodward are the electricians and are very busy designing and building the apparatus for the production of the electrical effects. Brother Wotawa is musical director, this being his second year in this capacity. Of these men Brothers Lebeau, Miller and Wotawa are on the managing board, Brothers Glazebrook, Kroeger, Coyle, Rossbacker, and Zook have parts in the show.

At a recent concert given by the Purdue Glee and Mandolin Club Brothers Shanklin and Cavanagh took part.

During Gala Week in June we are planning a big Indiana Alpha reunion. We are making every possible effort to reach all the alumni and get all back who can possibly come. We wish to extend an invitation to all members of Sigma Phi Epsilon who can be in Lafayette during the week of June 11 to be present at this reunion. We are always glad to have visits from members of other chapters and we will be especially prepared to entertain them at this time.

Wishing prosperity to all of our sister chapters, we are,

Fraternally,

C. H. Best.

Indiana Alpha.

Chapter Historian.

NEW YORK ALPHA SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

Meets every Friday at 7:30, in the Chapter House at 303 Waverly Ave.

The abundance of chapter and personal news prohibits the introduction of any college material in our letter this time.

On Friday April 7th we held election of officers. Those who make up the cabinet for the coming year are:

Burr N. Pentrice.
Walter E. Baker.
William E. Gilmore.
Lee J. McEwan.
Clarence O. Moore.
Herbert M. Reed.

Saturday April 8 was given over to our spring initiation an banquet. Both parts of the program took place in the chapter house. A spirit of brotherhood and good fellowship prevailed through the entire day. Grand Treasurer Griffin and a large number of other alumni of chapter attended, thus adding considerably to the success of the occasion. Those who started on their lives in Sigma Phi Epsilon were:

Clarence George Axtman, E. E. '13, Liverpool, N. Y.

Walter John Campbell, M. E. '13, North Creek, N. Y.

George Wilbur Clearwater, E. E. '14, Highland, N. Y.

Charles Collins Frances, Ph. B. '14. Highland, N. Y.

Earnest Clayton Baldwin, Ph. B. '14, Red Creek, N. Y.

Glenn Raymond Arnold, Ph. B. '14, Harrison Valley, Pa.

Individually the brothers here are busy in many of the college activities.

Brother "Si" Perkins, '07, has been made secretary of Alpha Omega Alpha, an honorary medical fraternity.

Brother Roy Moore. '07, is a member of the "Knockers' Club," a senior medical society. Brother John Northrup '10, has accepted a position as Assistant Classifier in the geological department at Washington. Before he left us John was elected to Sigma Xi honorary fraternity. Brother Billings was on the debate team which met Ohio Wesleyan this spring. Brother Joe Griffin, blood-brother to John, is president of the Junior Law Class. Brother Carter as

tambourine in the 'Varsity Minstrels did himself and the chapter proud at the Annual University Circus. Brother McIntosh coached and played lead in a farce at the same show. We had our quota of men in the minstrel chorus and acrobatic troupe. Brother Smith has been chosen as one of the Delta Tau Sigma engineering fraternity. Brother Reuman, ex-13, has started in as accessory to John D. R. in the Albany office of the Standard Oil Company. Brother Baker played on the freshman basketball team which went through the season undefeated. Brother Weigand is a "Fakir." No disgrace attaches to this name. The "Fakirs" are a representative Fine Arts society. Brothers Hutchings and Moore were two of ten contestants in a unique extempore speaking contest. Neither won the prize, but ———.

We hope that the above will show that idleness has not been with us. despite the spring weather. Every one is busy, almost too busy to study. As, you no doubt, are in the same boat, we will stop—right now.

Fraternally,

Walter P. McIntosh, Chapter Historian. NEW YORK ALPHA.

VIRGINIA EPSILON WASHINGTON & LEE UNIVERSITY

Meets every Saturday night at 10 o'clock, in Chapter Rooms. McCrum Building.

With the drawing near of the time for this, our last letter to the Journal for the year '10-'11, we are reminded that the time is fast approaching when many of our number will leave their colleges to take up the serious problem of earning a livelihood, while to a greater number it means only a short cessation of college duties for a few months of pleasure and freedom. To those of the latter class, we wish a pleasant vacation and hope that they will return with the renewed determination to obtain greater honors, both for themselves and their fraternity. To you who are giving up old friends and schoolmates, only to assume the responsibilities that devolve upon every American citizen and to begin that upward struggle of the ladder of fame, we wish unbounded success.

It is with pleasure and a feeling of pride that we introduce to the fraternity at large:

Initiated October 22, 1910—

Laurence Bennett Loughran, Arts, '14, Asheville, N. C.

Initiated November, 1910-

Jasper Jerome Efird, Arts, '13, Albermarle, N. C.

Initiated April, 1911—

Pinkney Clark Smith, Arts, '13, Greenville, S. C.

Edward Newell Atkinson, Arts, '12, Asheville, N. C.

Nash LeGrand, Arts, '14, Durham, N. C.

Brother "Jap" Efird was the strongest pitcher on Iast year's nine, and made quite a reputation both at home and on the Southern trip, as some of our southern brothers will recall. He is holding the mound down this year in even better style than last year, and it is needless to add that there is never any doubt as to how the score will stand, when Jap goes into the box.

Brother Loughran is a brother of Brother Richard Loughran, who was here last year. He has already proven to be one of the most popular freshmen, both among the ladies and his fellow classmen.

Brother Smith is large enough to take care of himself, being very near the 300 pound mark. It is sufficient to say that he is one of the most popular sophomores and is a man that every wearer of the Heart will feel proud to grasp by the hand and call brother.

Brother Atkinson comes from one of the strongest strongholds of our fraternity, and we feel that he is worthy of the honor that we have bestowed upon him, and that he will be a valuable asset to our chapter. He is out for the Harry Lee boat crew, and has every chance of making his place.

Brother LeGrand comes to us with a high recommendation from Trinity college, and we feel that their loss has been our gain, for we have in him, one of the most popular freshmen in the university.

Brothers Bagley and Phillips are out for the Harry Lee boat crew. and we see no reason why they should not win their monograms. Brothers Bagley and Mason represent us in Θ Λ Φ legal fraternity.

We will lose by graduation this year. Brother Phillips, who is upfor his degree in Engineering, and Brothers Mason and Ballard, who are applying for degrees in law. Brother Pitchford, who is also a Θ Λ Φ , would have received his degree this year had he returned to school after the Christmas holidays. We learn that he is assistant

prosecuting attorney at Sallisaw, Oklahoma, and that he has recently permitted a life sentence to be entered up against him, he having been joined in the holy bonds of wedlock to one of the most beautiful débutantes of Lamar, Ark. The bride, Miss Henrietta Cazort, is a sister of Brother W. L. Cazort of this chapter. We extend to them our congratulations and best wishes for happiness.

Brother Hocker was forced to leave college in February on account of pneumonia, but we hope that he will be with us at the opening next September.

Brother Carter has left us for the ranch in Texas, where he hopes to regain his lost health, by a return to the simple life.

Brother Burley White, '07, was with us for several days during the second term exams. Brother Paul Rockwell, ex-'12, was with us during our April initiation, and it is hoped by every man in the chapter that he will return in September to take up the study of law.

An inter-fraternity baseball league has been organized this year, and it is the hope of Virginia Epsilon to win the cup.

In closing, we hope that every Σ Φ E will remember that the success of our fraternity depends upon his conduct at all times. Always remember, that you who wear your pins are marked men in the eyes of the public, and any misconduct on your part will reflect upon your fraternity.

In leaving the fraternity, do not forget that you are still one of us and that you will ever be welcome to return and renew old friendships around the altar of Σ Φ E. If you cannot return to college, try to send someone to take your place in the active chapter. The active chapter has but a small chance to succeed without the help of the alumni.

Let every wearer of the Heart keep in mind during the coming vacation, the high ideals that prevail in Σ Φ E, and return with a determination to make the coming college year a banner one for our fraternity.

We extend hearty congratulations to our new chapter in Nebraska, and best wishes for a pleasant vacation to all of the sister chapters.

Fraternally,

B. LeR. Ballard, Chapter Historian. VIRGINIA EPSILON.

VIRGINIA ZETA

RANDOLPH-MACON COLLEGE

Meets every Saturday night at 11:30 o'clock in Fraternity Room, Town Auditorium.

For the last time during the college session, Zeta sends greetings to all her sister chapters, and to our alumni who have preceded us into that larger world know as after-life. It is with mingled pleasure and regret that we write this letter—pleasure in approaching the brotherhood through the JOURNAL, and regret that when the next letter is written, many of the old ties and associations will be as memories.

As the school year is drawing to a close, can we of Σ Φ E look back upon it as the most successful in our history? Our number of chapters is steadily increasing; we are striving to keep our standards high, and as we grow let us work together always remembering the significance of the "heart." While we labor, may every brother ask himself the question, am I doing anything for the good of Σ Φ E?

Zeta will lose many men this June—men who have fought and struggled in the battles of college life. When September comes again and the college doors are thrown open, the voices which echo now in song and laughter through its halls and corridors will be gone, and the names of the men will be but traditions to those on whom their cloaks will fall. Some will graduate others will turn their steps toward other institutions as medical or law students, while others will launch out in the battles of life. But though we may be far apart, yet we are bound in mystic union by a bond which cannot be forgotten though a continent stand between. These men have planted in their hearts the principals of Σ Φ E and to them we look for great things in the name of our fraternity.

We have just passed through the ordeal of examination week and feel sure that each of our brothers has done credit to himself as well as to the fraternity.

In athletics we have been exceedingly fortunate. In the track department we are ably represented by Brother Walker. While the baseball team has not yet been picked Brother Woodwood is covering the initial sack in great style and Brother Young is taking everything in that comes near the right garden.

Along literary lines we have made a most remarkable record. Each year there are four men elected to the state oritorical preliminary. Every fraternity in college is always anxious to get one of their men in this contest, but this year Σ Φ E reigns supreme having captured all four of these places. The men are Brothers Tucker, Bosman, Worsham and Elliott. On April 27th Brother Worsham will represent the college in a debate with our old rival Richmond college.

As will be noticed from the heading of our letter we have changed our place of meeting. We were crowded in our old quarters so we have secured new rooms over the town auditorium, and have recently furnished them. On March 30th we gave a House Warming and our rooms were greatly admired by all the ladies in town.

On March 31st your humble scribe had the pleasure of attending the banquet given by Virginia Alpha at the Jefferson Hotel. It was a pleasant occasion indeed and every one present enjoyed himself immensely.

To you who leave your college for all time we would commend as a guide through life the sacred principles of Σ Φ E, and to you who will return to your chapter next fall we know of no better lesson to learn. And brothers who will return be careful of the men you choose to aid you in upholding our great cause. Love, honor, and protect each other, so that all may be well with Σ Φ E.

Fraternally,

J. C. Elliott,

VIRGINIA ZETA.

Chapter Historian.

GEORGIA ALPHA GEORGIA SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY

This the time of the last letter of the year finds Georgia Alpha still prosperous, having lost only four men during the year which is considered good here at Tech.

Since our last letter our goat has again been busy and we take great pleasure in introducing to the fraternity:

Initiated March 11th—

William Lomax Treadaway, '12, T. E., Columbus, Ga.

William Cox Coart, '13, T. E., Columbus, Ga.

Brother Treadaway is a baseball man but was not eligible this year on account of S. I. A. A. rules. We feel sure that these new brothers will be ever worthy of $\Sigma \Phi E$.

Baseball season opened here on Saturday, April 8th. Tech. did not make a very good showing, losing the first game to Mercer. Brother Herault is on the squad.

Brother S. M. Auld is staff artist for "The Yellow Jacket."

Brothers Porter, Herault and Knapp represented $\Sigma \Phi E$ on the glee club, Brothers Semmes and Jones are on the track team. Brother Jones made a good showing in the cross country.

Brother E. W. Tomilson has recently been elected to "The Annual Board."

On Friday, the 26th of May, we give our annual formal dance and Georgia Alpha desires to extend a cordial invitation to all brothers who possibly can to be with us at that time.

Saturday night, April 8th we celebrated the fifth anniversary of the installation of Georgia Alpha with a banquet. Brother Jones, '09, a charter member of this chapter, acting as toastmaster.

We enjoyed very much having as our guests Brothers A. E. Dorr, N. H. Alpha and H. C. Bryant, Alabama Alpha.

We regret very much losing Brothers H. T. Knapp and V. B. McWhorter, who left school recently. Both of these men have been with us since last year and have made ideal brothers.

The chapters at Tech. are giving their first Pan-Hellenic dancethis year. We hope that this will be a success as it starts a movement which will lead to better relations between the different fraternity men. It is now only a few weeks until the close of the scholastic year and in closing Georgia Alpha wishes all her brothers a prosperous and happy vacation and to those who are leaving college for good this year, may success ever follow their footsteps.

Fraternally,

H. E. Carr,

GEORGIA ALPHA.

DELAWARE ALPHA

DELAWARE STATE COLLEGE

Meets every Wednesday at 6:30 P. M. at Chapter House, 558 Wilkins Terrace.

All at Delaware Alpha are now busy preparing for the spring examinations. This year's class will take five brothers from our midst, Brothers van Arsdalen, R. Taylor, Scott, Raughley, and Ledenham. While none of these brothers have definitely decided in what part of the country they are going to locate, Brothers Van Arsdalen and Raughley are thinking seriously of going to the far west.

Our financial obligations, incident with the buying of our house have been very heavy, and we have been obliged to resort regularly to extra assessments. We have received much assistance from our alumni and honorary members. During March we were granted 35 shares of building loan stock by the Loan Association of Newark. This step was the first towards the buying of our house. Brothers Tiffany, Sypherd, Hossinger and Francis have helped us a great deal in the handling of our new proposition.

We wish to present to the fraternity the following. Initiated March 15:

John Francis Mullin, Civil Engineer. '13, Wilmington, Del.

Norman Armstrong Groves, General Science, '14, Marshallton, Del.

In baseball $\Sigma \Phi$ E is represented by Brothers Harvey, capt., C. Taylor and Jolls. These men are all the proud wearers of the "D." "Bob" Harvey and "Dick" Taylor have proved to be our old standbys, making the two fastest infielders that Delaware has ever had to represent her.

Prof. Harold Tiffany, having been conquered by Cupid, was married to Miss Edith K. Brokaw of Childs, Md., on the evening of April 12th. $\Sigma \Phi E$ was on hand in full number and gave the new couple a royal reception.

In closing, we wish every $\Sigma \Phi E$ a happy vacation and that next year he will return with renewed energy to work for his chapter and fraternity.

Fraternally,

Elmer G. Brown,

DELAWARE ALPHA.

VIRGINIA ETA

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

Meets in house every Monday at 7:30 P. M.

Greetings to all of our sister chapters. Summer is at last on our door step and with the close of another year Virginia Eta wishes to announce that it has been a successful one. Here it seems most fitting to announce to the fraternity that we will initiate

Arthur Fairfax Triplett, Arkansas,

into the mysteries of Σ Φ E, on Thursday, April 28. Mr. Triplett has been two years in the academic department and after receiving his Bachelor's degree will take up the study of law. "Trip" is a member of the glee club, he sings the base that is only found in the boots, he is a good student and a *popular* man, to say the least.

We have just passed through the social week of Virginia during which time all of Virginia Eta's men joined in the festivities in one form or another, several of us attending the germans.

On Friday night, April 29, Virginia will give her annual banquet at which time she hopes to have several of the brothers from V. M. I. as her guests.

Virginia Eta will lose the following by graduation in June.

Hugh Griffith, who gets his M. E.

Barton Palmer, will get a B. S. but we are all glad to know that he will most likely be in Charlottsville next year, in connection with "The Jefferson School for boys."

Fred Rinker, who expects to receive his M. D. will be in the Polyclinic Hospital in Philadelphia after October 1, 1911, for an 18 month's service.

It is hoped that these brothers will keep in close touch with their common mother who has done so much for them.

We enjoyed having Brother Levering who was here on the Penn. track team with us during Easter week.

We wish each and every brother in $\Sigma \Phi E$ a happy and prosperous vacation.

Fraternally,

F. C. Rinker,

VIRGINIA ETA.

ARKANSAS ALPHA UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS

Meets every Saturday evening in Wolf Building.

Our fourth letter this year finds us in a very hopeful state. We have heard from several of our old men who are coming back next year to finish their courses and all the men that are here this year are going to be back so our prospects for next year are very bright.

We wish to introduce to the fraternity at large the following brothers:

Initiated March 3rd--

Coy Madison Nixon, B. A., '13, Jacksonville, Ark.

Elbert Augustus Henry, B. A., '14, Jacksonville, Ark.

Brothers Nixon and Henry are exceptionally good men and at the close of our final examinations in June, we expect to initiate two more good men.

We have just received the news of the marriage of Brother S. E. Welch. He is attending the law school at University of Oklahoma. He and his bride will continue their courses till June, when they graduate.

The unjust laws restricting fraternities in the University of Arkansas were not repealed at the session of our legislature. All fraternities here were very much disappointed. The bill was defeated by only a small majority.

 Σ Φ E is well represented in baseball this year. Brother Young plays center and Brother Buckley plays right field on the 'varsity team. Brother Stout who has been playing left field, has withdrawn from school for the remainder of the year. He will be back at the beginning of the next session of college.

The University of Arkansas debated with the University of Louisiana here last Saturday evening and also with University of Tennessee at Nashville the same day. We won both debates.

It is with great pleasure that we learn that a charter has been granted to Nebraska. We are glad to welcome them to the ranks of $\Sigma \Phi E$. The west has a number of good institutions and $\Sigma \Phi E$ will make no mistake by entering them.

We congratulate the grand officers on their success in advancing $\Sigma \Phi E$. We, are certainly pleased with the year's work. We will

have at least ten men to begin with next year. While we are anxious for our vacation to begin, our favorite subject is "what we will do and the great success that we will have with ten loyal Σ Φ Es, to begin with next year.

Hoping this year has been a success to all our sister chapters, we are,

Fraternally,

Virgil Buckley, Chapter Historian. ARKANSAS ALPHA.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON LEHIGH UNIVERSITY

Meets every Thursday evening at 7 P. M. in Chapter House at 821 Delaware Ave.

Before we realize it the end of the college year is fast approaching. In about two months the seniors will be getting ready to bid us good-bye. In looking back over the year we find lots of cause for satisfaction only to be surpassed by what we look forward to for next year.

The wrestling season was brought to a successful close by victories over Lafayette, Princeton, and Cornell. Baseball, track and lacrosse are the main topics of conversation at present. Brother Davies is playing one of the defense positions on the lacrosse team^t and Brother Fisher is captaining the baseball team from third base. A victory over West Point gives us lots of confidence in the team.

A new department having control of the field athletics besides the gymnasium work has recently been created. Coach Reiter, who so successfully handled the football team last fall, has been appointed to this position and will be known as Professor and Director of Physical Education and Athletics. With this new phase of the athletic question here we can be confident of proper and wholesome athletic development.

The season of class banquets has passed and there has never been greater attendance at these functions. In fact, we are glad to say that this is only another manifestation of the increase of class and college spirit which is being shown at Lehigh.

Brothers Rowland, Moore, and Baldwin are chorus girls in this seasons Mustard and Cheese production.

Brother Bailey has been elected captain of next year's gymnasium team.

By the time this letter is in print we shall have had the annual chapter banquet, on April 20. These affairs have always been a great success and we have been looking forward to it with pleasure.

A great deal of interest is being shown in the spring sports and never before have a greater number of men been trying for the different positions.

Many have been waiting for Junior week, April 27 to 29, when we have a couple of days release to take in the annual "show" and the Junior Prom.

Brother Priestly was fortunate enough to be appointed a member of the class day committee.

All the seniors are busy on their theses and in fact everyone must soon be thinking of getting down to hard work in preparation for the term end exams. With best wishes for the success of all when the strenuous time does come, we are,

Fraternally,

Cabet C. Wheeler,
Historian.

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON.

VIRGINIA THETA VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE

Meetings held Friday nights after supper in barracks.

In this the last letter of the year Virginia Theta sends heartiest greetings to all of her sister chapters.

Since our last letter many things of interest have happened to Σ Φ E at V. M. I. Probably the most important was the third class trouble which ended with the dismissal of seventy-seven members of the class of 1913. Among those dismissed were five of our brothers including L. S. Gerow, J. S. Ritchie, M. H. Kingman, G. E. Bushnell, and A. A. Adams, all of whom have been greatly missed by us. Very little weight can be given to the criticisms of the papers on the conduct of the ex-cadet and especially to the editorials stating the matter a flagrant case of violation of their honor and matriculation pledge. At least we do not think any of our brothers were guilty of any dishonor as the same thing has happened before, and no such

charge was ever thought of. That they acted hastily and without careful thought we are forced to admit. It was through the idea of class loyalty that they took such action and they are now obliged to suffer the consequences of their misstep. Since the Board of Visitors has announced that by applying individually for re-instatement, they may be reinstated there is some hope of seeing most of them back with us next year. All are being coached with this end in view.

Brother Walback has left for Highland Falls, N. Y. to prepare for entrance to West Point. While he will be greatly missed all wish him the best of success.

Brother Lee, who was one of the typhoid patients has gone to his home in Birmingham and is fast recovering. Brother Moore was among the fortunate ones to receive basketball monograms.

Baseball now is the chief attraction. In this line $\Sigma \Phi E$ will be well represented. Brother Moore will be at short, Brother Reed the regular catcher and Brother Throckmorton the mainstay in the box. All three are old men and great things are expected of them. Brother Jackson manager of the team has arranged a hard schedule and many good games are being looked forward to.

Brother C. L. Yancey, grand historian, paid us a flying visit in February and those who saw him enjoyed having him with us very much. The chief trouble was that he was only such a short time with us that all did not have a chance to meet him or we to show him much hospitality.

Now that the Directory is published none of us will have excuses for not looking up brothers this summer in passing through their town or city. Too much praise cannot be given to those whose efforts are responsible for such a book and our friendship and fraternal feelings ought to be brought more closely together by the look everybody else up and you may be sure that all will be shown a good time.

In closing we wish the best luck to all brothers for successful Exams and for a pleasant vacation.

Fraternally,

W. H. Edwards,

VIRGINIA THETA.

OHIO GAMMA

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Meets every Saturday night at 7 p. m. at Chapter House, 1500 Neil Ave., Columbus, Ohio

Ohio Gamma is already finding itself winding up things for the college year. This has been our most successful one since our establishment and we hope to continue making each successive year more and more so.

While we have no real shining lights as far as studies go, all our men passed their work successfully this year and most of them are above the average.

We are sorry to lose by graduation six of our best men,—Brothers Shuler, Stiehl, Schlingman, Berk, Perkins, and Buchanan, all of whom will be hard to duplicate.

March 31st saw Ohio Gamma's banner social function. We gave a formal dance on that evening and had as some of our guests a few of Ohio Gamma's alumni. Brother Burnside of West Virginia Beta was also among our guests.

Brother Biehler was elected manager of the sophomore base ball team and we also have several good sophomores who are going to make the team. We will be represented on the 'varsity by Brother Urbain, as catcher and a new pledge in the box. On most of the class and college teams we are represented.

Brother Jones who has made himself somewhat popular in college athletics and politics was initiated into Θ N E at their last initiation.

On April 6th and 7th Ohio State pulled off one of the greatest stunts of its kind ever attempted here. It was in the form of carnival and took place on the campus and in the college buildings. Each of the ninety organizations put on a stunt of its own. Ohio Gamma giving a real animal show. The proceeds of over \$3,000 went to aid in furnishing the Ohio Union a newly completed student building.

Ohio Gamma extends to all in Σ Φ E success in winding up the college year and a pleasant vacation to all.

Fraternally,

L. H. Gross,

OHIO GAMMA.

VERMONT ALPHA NORWICH UNIVERSITY

Meets every other Sunday at 2:00 P. M. in the Chapter House, on Central St.

In this, the last letter of the year, Vermont Alpha sends, heartiest greetings to her sister Chapters. As the College year draws to a close it is with a kind of sadness that we think of the loss, through graduation, of our senior brothers, who no doubt regret very much to leave those behind who have become such staunch and true friends.

But they like the senior brothers of other chapters, must take up the duties of life, and tread where all must follow some day and may this following be to success for every brother of $\Sigma \Phi E$.

At the close of the third year of this chapter it is with much pleasure that we look back and see the progress made by the fraternity Perhaps the one thing foremost to us in the progress of $\Sigma \Phi E$ is the establishment of an alumni chapter in New England. This no doubt will strengthen $\Sigma \Phi E$ in New England. On March 4th we led a new man into the mysteries. We take much pleasure in introducing to the fraternity,

Arthur Warren Muchmore, C. E., '14, Portsmouth, N. H.

Brothers Creed and Lynde were sent as delegates from Vermont Alpha to the New England banquet held in Boston March 25 last. They reported to have had an excellent time, and enjoyed beyond expression meeting brothers of other chapters. Their sentiment was that this sort of thing brings the fraternity at large into a closer relation.

From the outcome of the winter term examinations it is evident that our men are not back sliders when it comes to the academic side of affairs. Our brothers were among the headliners in each class.

Our baseball team is still working out in the cages the snow has not left us as yet. Our first game is scheduled for April 15, but from the present outlook it will have to be canceled.

We were pleased to have with us for a few days last month Brother Brown of New Hampshire Alpha.

The Norwich Alumni Association of New York held their annual banquet March 23, at the Murray Hill Hotel. Several of our brothers attending.

Fraternally,

A. F. Holland,

VERMONT ALPHA.

VERMONT ALPHA CHAPTER, SIGMA PHI EPSILON FRATERNITY

ALABAMA ALPHA ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

Meets every Friday night at 7:30 in Chapter Rooms.

Since the publication of the last Journal we have taken a new lease on life, and now wish to introduce to the fraternity at large the following men:

Initiated March 18th—

Wayne Brasher Nelson, Elec., '14, Birmingham, Ala.

Joseph Neil Poole, Agriculture, '13, Butler Springs, Ala.

Harrell Walton Smith, Civil, '12, Birmingham, Ala.

Cecil Howard Smith, General, '14, Birmingham, Ala.

Francis DeKalb Pierce, General, '14, Louisville, Ala.

These are all excellent men and we do not conceal our joy over the fact that we have secured them for our chapter and for Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Still other important events have happened to our chapter. During the last month we moved our quarters, and while we now have a little smaller hall than before it is a much neater and more pleasant location. Just after we had moved in Brother Allan Dorr of New Hampshire Alpha, now in Atlanta, paid us a visit. His visit was much enjoyed by all, and we were able to furnish him the treat of a double initiation while he was here. A few days after his departure Brother Jimmie Moore of Birmingham, one of our alumni, was with us for a while. At the same time with Brother Dorr Brother George Collier one of our this year's initiates, now in Tuskegee, was with us a day or two. We are always glad to welcome such loyal brothers as these, and their visits always do us good.

On the campus the chief subject of interest is baseball. Auburn has a good team this year as usual, and we feel certain that they will do themselves and our college credit.

We are represented on the squad by Brothers Steadham and Mc-Gough. But other things are looming upon the horizon, and the serious faces of the seniors betoken the dread of approaching finals. To these we can only say, be of good courage, faithful work will always be rewarded.

After finals will come the joy of commencement dances, and all work will be forgotten. Brother Steadham is to lead the final hop

for the second time, which is quite a tribute to his popularity. Brother McGough is to lead the sophomore German club dance.

But now I must bring my letter to a close. Soon college will close and we will have the summer holidays before us. Let us all go out with the interests of Σ Φ E foremost in our thoughts; let us strive to reach the high ideals set by our beloved fraternity. Then when we return next autumn we will be more closely united in the bonds of brotherhood; more ready and willing to labor to exalt our own Σ Φ E.

Fraternally,

W. B. Nickerson, Chapter Historian. Alabama Alpha.

NORTH CAROLINA GAMMA

TRINITY COLLEGE

Meets every Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Chapter Room.

Since our last letter the Pan-Hellenic Council has taken up the matter of scholarship requirement of all men eligible to membership to the fraternities here.

The question was thoroughly discussed and every fraternity reported favorably, upon which the following resolution was drawn up; met with unanimous approval, and adopted:—"That all freshmen be required to make at least ten hours of their work before they may be admitted to any fraternity."

The faculty committee appointed to consider the matter of a scholarship requirement for eligibility to fraternities made the following report:—"That the secretary of the faculty be required to inform the Pan-Hellenic Council of the receipt of the communication regarding requirement for admission to fraternities, and to express for the faculty its appreciation of this praiseworthy effort on the part of the fraternities thus to improve the work of their members."

"That after this year, February 10th, be fixed as the earliest date for the initiation of members of the freshmen class into fraternities."

"Since our last letter to the JOURNAL, we have not been idle, but have been on the lookout for promising new men.

On Wednesday night, the twelfth of April, we initiated—

Charlie Carlyle Fouchee, '13, Arts, Jonesboro, N. C. Lester Durrett Coltrane, '13, Arts, Concord, N. C.

Both of these brothers have been in college for the past two years, and by their conduct they have shown themselves worthy of the honor we have bestowed upon them."

All at N. C. Gamma are beginning to refresh their minds for examinations which all are determined to pass in order to return next year, and help raise the "sacred emblem," of Sigma Phi Epsilon higher in scholarship.

We lose by graduation this year Brother J. E. Brinn, he has been a most worthy wearer of the "heart;" he is president of his class, and also right guard on the 'varsity basketball team. He will be greatly missed in college circles, and it is with the deepest regret that we will see him leave at the close of this college year.

The basketball season that closed with the beginning of the base-ball season was a highly successful one—Trinity having won the majority of her games. During the season we were honored by having Brother Kearns of Virginia Eta visit us, he was the star of the Virginia quint, and it was largely through his fast playing that they defeated us. We were also delighted to find Brothers Moore, and Gerow on the Virginia Military Institute team.

We have had recent visits from Brothers P. S. Ashby and H. G. Harris of our alumni and Brother Paul Rockwell an alumnus of Virginia Epsilon. These brothers with their encouraging words are always welcome, and all other brothers who may chance this way.

In athletics, baseball is now the chief attraction. We are ably represented by Brother Bundy, who is playing third base in great style, and leading the batting,—and with Brother Fauchee taking care of everything that goes into left field.

Our team has won eight out of eleven games played, and there are seventeen more to be played this season.

In closing, we wish to extend to each brother heartiest good wishes for a pleasant vacation, and may those who leave college upon graduation have the grandest success, and prosperity in every-

thing they may undertake.—Let those that return to college next fall renew their work in college activities and fraternity affairs.

Fraternally,

Randolph Curriu, Chapter Historian, NORTH CAROLINA GAMMA.

NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA DARTMOUTH COLLEGE

Meets every Wednesday evening at 7:15 in Chapter Rooms.

Every brother of New Hampshire Alpha greets his brothers throughout the land with the token which binds us into the great circle of fraternal love.

As we send the last letter of the year, all are anxiously awaiting April 6th, the beginning of our Easter recess, when those who live farther south than Hanover will say farewell to the winter's snow and ice which still lingers here, keeping the spring season at a distance.

New Hampshire Alpha is having a most prosperous year, with a whole souled spirit of progressiveness, and a well-balanced directing of energy in the different lines of college and fraternity activities. We believe that real power and lasting credit can come only to the chapter which expands in all directions, and holding to that principle we are attempting to keep a normal proportion of those who excell in scholarship, of those who are able athletes, and those who are of the "all-around" class which forms the larger part of the student body.

We have been most ably represented this year in debate by Brother O'Connor, 1912, who spoke with the Dartmouth team at Brown University. As a result of his ability and power in debating and oratory, he is now a member of Delta Sigma Rho, of the Webster Literary Club of Dartmouth, and is manager of the debating team for the coming year.

During the winter carnival held by the Outing Club and open to all the college, Brother Cobb literally reaped honors for himself and $\Sigma \Phi E$. Entering all of the four ski events, he won firsts in the hundred and two hundred and twenty yard dashes, first in the jump and second in the cross country events, displaying at all times form and skill rarely equaled in the amateur ranks.

Track and field meets have been held in the New Gymnasium the past four Saturdays. Brother Bacon '14, has shown that he is an exceptional miler, having already run faster than the college record of 4:32 1-5, and having won several events from a large field of the best men in college. Brothers Daley and Herlihey 1914 have brilliant prospects before them, the former being the present holder of the 1000 yard novice record. Brother Ball 1913 has "come back" in his track work after a few months off and in his first race finished a close third in a fast mile.

There is social life but once a year in Hanover, and that is during Prom Week and Commencement. Plans are already under way to make the most out of these rare but most desirable occasions, and whenever we see a brother wearing a worried look as he sticks a special delivery stamp to an envelope, there is but one solution—he is sending a bid to some fair one for the festivities.

As we close, New Hampshire Alpha extends to sister chapters the best hopes for their success in striving for the most worthy things in life. We cordially ask that whenever any brother finds himself able to visit us that he will do so, accepting the heartiest welcome and entertainment we are able to give.

Fraternally,

Maurice C. Avery, Chapter Historian. NEW HAMPSHIRE ALPHA.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALPHA GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Meets every Saturday night at 8:30 P. M. at the Chapter House.

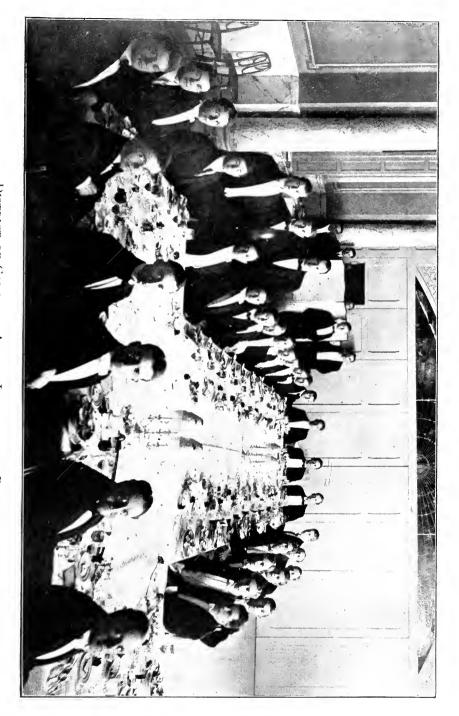
As we open our letter for the May Journal, we take pleasure in first introducing to all brothers in $\Sigma \Phi$ E, three new brothers:

Loren Robert Manville, ex-1910, Civil Engineering, Fairmont, S. D.

Roy Linney Deal, 1911, Arts, Taylorsville, N. C.

Joseph Patrick Reavis, 1914, Arts, Bryant Station, Tenn.

Brother Manville was initiated on the 22nd of February. He was a member of Kappa Sigma Pi, our local organization, but left George Washington before the Σ Φ E chapter was installed. He is now at the University of Michigan studying engineering.



Brothers Deal and Reavis were initiated on March 11th, after having ridden the rough-house goat on the Thursday night preceding. Brother Deal comes to George Washington from the University of North Carolina and Reavis is a brother of Brother A. B. Reavis, and has a family reputation to live up to.

Our annual election of chapter officers took place on March 11th after the initiation. The officers elected were:

A. L. Barber.

G. V. Lovering.

W. J. Plummer.

H. A. Cox.

H. Marsh.

E. C. Coumbe.

T. L. Creekmore.

The work of this corps of officers should be of a particularly broad-minded character, as three of them, Brothers Barber, Plummer, and Creekmore, have had experience in other chapters before coming to D. C. Alpha.

The new officers were duly installed at the annual banquet which was served on the evening of March 25 at the Shoreham Hotel. This banquet was a very successful and interesting affair from several standpoints, and we think may be of interest to our sister chapters. In the first place, the committee in charge, Brothers Reavis, Jeffrey, and Lovering, provided a menu that was very satisfying, and a happily selected program of toasts. But most interesting to our brothers from other chapters was the personnel of the crowd. We were very fortunate in having with us two of our grand officers, Brother W. L. Phillips and Brother C. L. Yancev, both of whom spoke in a way that would stir all $\Sigma \Phi E$ men to greater work and loyalty. Then, as Brother Phillips reminded us, this gathering was of more than local interest, as there were at least eleven chapters represented, some of the men now being affiliated with D. C. Alpha. Those present who have not been affiliated with our chapter were Brothers Phillips, of Virginia Alpha, Greenwald, of Colorado Alpha, Taylor, of Virginia Eta, Foster, of Ohio Alpha, and Moore, of North Carolina Beta.

Although as a rule we are a very busy bunch, we occasionally

find time for purely social affairs, and when we do, we certainly have a good time. On the evening of February 21st we laid aside all dull care and tripped the light fantastic at our Washington's birthday dance, and we enjoyed ourselves to the full extent, especially as the next day was a holiday. Another dance, probably the last and best for this year will be given on the 21st of April at the Washington Canoe Club.

Brother Barber upheld the forensic honor of Σ Φ E on March 4th, when he debated as a member of the Columbian Society team, in the second of the series of debates between Columbian and Needham Debating Societies of the law school.

Brother Waldo Schmitt has left college and is now cruising off the coast of California in the government ship "Albatross," for the United States Fish Commission on scientific exploration.

Brother Everett has recently given up his college work. He is to be congratulated on the coming into the world of little Jack Everett, who now occupies most of Brother Everett's attention.

Brother Lorraine Tonkin, of Virginia Delta spent a couple of weeks at the house recently.

Brother Lacey Moore, of North Carolina Beta, was present at the banquet on March 25th, and we have been glad to see him at the house several times since.

Fraternally,

Hadleigh Marsh,

D. OF C. ALPHA.

Chapter Historian.

KANSAS ALPHA BAKER UNIVERSITY

Meets every Friday night at 6:45 at the Chapter House, 602 Ninth Street.

The year is drawing rapidly to a close, and Kansas Alpha is very busy preparing for a strong finish. We will lose by graduation nine seniors Brothers Allis, Wight, V. Liston, Douglas, Long, Siegle, V. A. Mueller, Pyle and Tidyman. These men will be greatly missed, for many of them were members of our local and have been through the fire. Each and every one has always been willing to give his time to fraternity interests. A few of these men remember when (five years ago) our local could walk abreast on the side walks of Baldwin. These men with those who have gone before them have made Kansas

Alpha what she is. We are sorry to lose them but we are not fearing their loss. Instead we look forward to it, because we are at the point in our history, when we need a good number of strong men, on the chapter's alumni roll. The men who have left the chapter in previous years have given us our best advice and most substantial aid. In spite of our great loss we are planning to make next year a banner one, when we will have about fifteen men to start with.

Since our last letter Baker University has received a gift of \$100,000.00, which almost secures a half million dollar endowment fund. One or two new departments are to be added to the University, which will bring a marked increase in attendance.

We have succeeded in adding a few more honors to our list since the March Journal, Brother A S. Wight won the preliminary, which gives him a place on the Baker-Ottawa debate. This is the fourth brother to represent Baker in intercollegiate debate this year. Brother S. C. Siegle won the local prohibition oratorical contest and represented Baker in the state contest, winning fourth place.

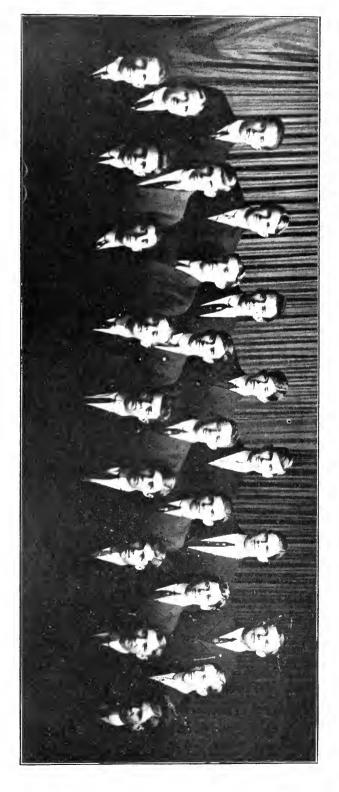
Our basketball season closed very successfully, Baker winning the state championship. Brothers E. S. Liston and F. H. Allis played in all the games and won their letters. Brother Liston was elected captain of next years team.

Baseball practice is the main athletic interest at present. Brothers E. S. Liston and Roy Johnson seem to be the two most promising men in the box. Four other brothers are reporting regularly for practice so we hope to have at least two men on the team this year.

In track, Baker has so far been unfortunate, but a good bunch of material is working hard, and Baker is expected to win more than half the meets. Brothers Frank Waring and A. S. Wight are tossing the weights and pledge McMillan is one of the half milers who is making good.

The interfraternity baseball schedule is made, and the first game will be played Saturday, April 8th, $\Sigma \Phi E$ vs. Z X. Z X is the local fraternity at Baker. Each fraternity has two games with each of the other three fraternities. The series this year promises to be better than ever before, as baseball material is very evenly distributed through the four fraternities.

We expect to have our spring party April 18th. When this is off



KANSAS ALPHA, BAKER UNIVERSITY

of our hands our whole attention will be centered on the annual "Stag" banquet, to be held the first week in June. This is a great occasion for Kansas Alpha and it is to be the greatest ever, this year. All the old boys are planning to be back, and we hope to have all Σ Φ Es, who are located near us, with us at that time.

We are proud of our "Annex Chapter" at K. U. They certainly have the genuine Σ Φ E spirit. We are sorry that Brother Charles Dennie is not in the picture, which is in this JOURNAL. Brother Dennie is finishing his junior year at the Kansas University Medical School at Rosedale, Kan. He made an exceptionally fine record, as a student, both at Baker and K. U. While at Baker he was active in all lines of student activity. Upon graduation he was awarded a fellowship in K. U. Medical School, where he was elected to Nu Sigma Nu, and now is an assistant in the laboratories at Rosedale.

In closing Kansas Alpha wishes to send greetings to every chapter of Σ Φ E, and especially we wish to congratulate the baby chapter at Lincoln, Nebr. Fraternally,

M. Raymond Pyle, Chapter Historian. KANSAS ALPHA.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Meets every Monday night at 7:00 o'clock in the Chapter House, 2523 Hillegass Ave., Berkeley. Cal. 'Phone Berkeley 3088.

We wish to introduce to the fraternity at large another member of the old organization, whom we initiated on March 11th.

Theodore Edward Dickel, '10, Mining, Anaheim, Cal.

Brother Dickel was one of those who petitioned for the charter but could not be here for installation being at that time engaged in work in Mexico. He came through here on his way to Republic, Wash., where he will be employed by the Republic Miner Co. Brother Dickel won his numerals in baseball in his freshman year, and pitched the old Palomar club to many victories. He played on the U. C. cadet band during his four years in college. On the night that we initiated Brother Dickel we had with us, Brothers Rahlmann, McKinney, Glazier and Brother Bennett of West Verginia Beta. We enjoy frequent visits from these brothers and were particularly glad to have with us one of the founders of one of the early chapters.

Mid-term exes are over; but with the finals only five weeks off there is not much time for play. California Alpha is bent on keeping up its former records which have always been good. Brother C. L. Thiele, '14, has been elected to the Harvey Club.

California has added two more Stanford scalps to her collection. In the annual intercollegiate freshman track meet with Stanford our freshmen came home with eighty-four points to Stanford's forty-eight. On the diamond Stanford again had to admit our superiority for we won two games straight, 4-3 and 4-1. We were represented on the freshman track team by Brother Compton who was retained for the 'varsity squad.

On April 15, we meet Stanford in the big track event of the year. All signs point to a California victory but we are not over confident for they are worthy rivals. We will be represented on the team by Brothers Maddox, Harris and Compton.

·· California was indeed fortunate in having on charter day, March 23, ex-President Roosevelt, who delivered the charter day address. The Greek theatre which holds eight thousand people was too small for the occasion. He gave five subsequent lectures there and for all five the theatre was crowded to its limit, and on Sunday many were turned away.

Election of chapter officers took place on Monday evening March 27, and they will be installed April 3. Those elected were:

Creston H. Jensen. Arnold C. Dickel. C. Louis Thiele. Donald C. Bennett. C. Allen Anderson. Frederick Ball Jr. Guy Barker. J. Roy Newton.

On April eighth we have our last social affair of the year, at the chapter house, a dance. Brother Glazier and his better half will officiate as chaperones and will be assisted by Professor and Mrs. O'Neil of the University faculty.

Commencement is almost here, and with this important event we lose four of our strongest members, and four of the truest brothers in Σ Φ E that we have. Brothers H. Thiele and Wilcox, graduated from the College of Mines, and immediately leave for the wilderness. Brother Maddox graduates from the College of Commerce, and will go east. Brother Flannery receives his Juris. doctors degree, but he has not yet decided what he is going to do with it. He may stay in these parts for awhile, in which case we are sure he will drop in often and liven up the piano for us. Brother Black leaves us for a year to gather some practical experience in mining before taking up his senior year work.

A movement is on foot to send our glee club to Europe this summer. If the trip becomes assured we hope that, should they visit any cities en route, where we have sister chapters, that these sister chapters will help make their concerts a success. The glee club has a splendid collection of talent and their concerts are well worth attending.

In closing this last letter for this year California Alpha wishes all its sister chapters the best of summer vacations and invites you all to make our chapter house your headquarters if your vacations take you this way. There will be several fellows here throughout the summer months.

Fraternally,

Creston H. Jensen,

California Alpha.

Chapter Historian.

NEBRASKA ALPHA UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Meets every Monday evening at 7:30 at the Chapter House, 226 North 26th St.

With the hope and inspiration of optimistic youth, Nebraska Alpha offers her first letter to her sister chapters. Though the installation is barely over we find ourselves facing the future confident of a prosperous and enduring life as a chapter. At this time we desire to thank the fraternity at large for the interest it showed in us at the time of the installation. The congratulatory letters and telegrams which came to us from sister chapters and from $\Sigma \Phi E$ alumni, from all sections of the country, caused us to realize more than anything else the character and value of membership in a great national college brotherhood.

Kappa Tau Epsilon, our local, is no more. We cannot say that we had no feelings of sadness at its death. Its colors, the maroon and gray, had come to mean a great deal to us. Yet the joy which became ours on April fifteenth so far eclipses our few pangs of regret, that the death of K T E is practically lost sight of in the pleasure of being members of Σ Φ E.

At the organization of our chapter the following officers were elected:

Frank E. Rohde.
Earle R. Spaulding.
Glen U. Tunks.
Walter R. Power.
Dean D. McBrien.
Walter J. Lempke.

Besides the installing committee, which consisted of Brothers W. L. Phillips of Virginia Alpha, M. R. Pyle, and A. S. Wight of Kansas Alpha, we were honored by a visit from Brothers V. M. Liston, F. A. Price, and Lionel Anderson of Kansas Alpha, and Brother A. B. Boeck of Colorado Alpha.

Most of the brothers have gone home for the remainder of the Easter vacation. With their return our real work as a chapter will begin.

Brother Nicholson, '10, has returned to West Point to resume his duties as County attorney of Cuming County. Brother Dye has been unexpectedly called home. He will report for duty here next fall. He goes to Carson, Iowa. Brother Ruby who will represent Nebraska in the collegiate wrestling match at Chicago, is light weight champion here. He anticipates a pleasant visit with Illinois Alpha.

A great indoor track meet was recently held at Omaha in which all the schools of the middle west took part. Nebraska sent a team of thirteen men. Brother Power and pledge Wohlenberg went from our house as team members.

Brother Wirt has been elected to Σ T, the honorary engineering fraternity.

Brother Andrews is secretary-treasurer of the Iron Sphinx, a sophomore inter-fraternity organization, and Brother Chamberlin



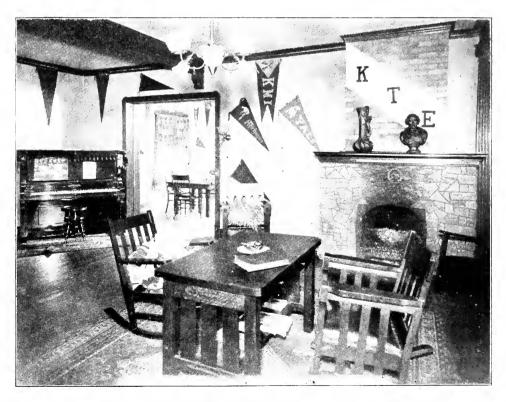
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is pledged to the same organization. Brother Ruby is vice-president of the sophomores.

Brother Spaulding is chairman of the junior Ivy day committee. Brother Hall is manager of junior baseball.

The military department holds an important place in Nebraska college life. We have a cadet regiment of three battalions here. Every year a company competitive drill is held to determine the ranking company. The winners are given the "Omaha Cup" for a year and head the "company Q" (shirt-tail) parade which passes through the streets on the evening following. Interest over this event is very great among Nebraska Alpha men. Nearly all will take part in it and many are officers. Our military honors are as follows.

F. E. Rohde, major, third battalion; first lieutenants—Pledge Krug, company B, and pledge Wohlenberg, range detail; second lieutenants—Glen V. Tunks, company D, Earl R. Spaulding, company B, and F. A. Wirt, company I; sergeants—Paul P. Bliss and Jesse Quinn, company B; V. D. Andrews, company D, and Harry Cotton, company C.

We have four pledges whom we expect to initiate soon. We feel sure that they will be a credit to the fraternity. Those initiated at the installation were:

Hugo McLernon Nicholson, '10, Law, West Point, Neb.

Frank Edwin Rohde, '11, Engineering, Lincoln, Neb.

Walter John Lempke, Engineering, '11. Pender, Neb.

Earle Rowe Spaulding, Arts, '12, Gothenburg, Neb.

Glen Verne Tunks, Engineering, '12, Central City, Neb.

Walter Robert Power, Arts, '12, Ponca, Neb.

Albert Dare Hall, Arts, '12, Nehawka, Neb.

Clifford James Harden, Engineering, '12, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Frederick Alfred Wirt, Engineering. '12, Cook, Neb.

Vernon Daniel Andrews, Engineering, '13, Lincoln, Neb.

Jesse H. Quinn, Arts, '13, Gothenburg, Neb.

Paul Philip Bliss, Law, '13, Lincoln, Neb.

Harry E. Cotton, Engineering, '13, Kearney, Neb.

Joseph Merl Dye, Arts, '13, Carson, Iowa.

Glen Ruby, Engineering, '13, Seymour, Iowa.

Dean Depew McBrien, Teachers', '13, Lincoln, Neb. Samuel Glen Chamberlin, Arts, '14, Beatrice, Neb. Lloyd Harden, Engineering, '14, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

We are the youngest fraternity at Nebraska, being the twelfth national. There is one local of fifteen years standing here also. Our outlook for the future is bright. It is our wish that each chapter as well as the fraternity at large shall prosper.

Fraternally,

Dean D. McBrien, Chapter Historian. Nebraska Alpha.



EDITORIAL

DIRECTORY

The long talked of and looked for Directory is at last a reality. Our Grand Historian has given us a publication that is worthy of commendation. No doubt many errors will come to light but these should be made allowance for as it is the first publication of this nature attempted by the fraternity and it was gotten out with only about three months preparation. We trust that all critics will give these points consideration.

As we use the term generally the first section of the book can hardly be considered as a part of a directory, but will be of great service to the various chapters in adjusting their records with those of the Grand Chapter and will furnish the Grand Historian a point to work from to secure the information necessary to complete his record of graduation. According to the lists as printed 651 have graduated, 386 have left college without graduating, 564 are active members and 108 are unknown. Of the 386 that have left college a number have gone to institutions where we have no chapter and of the 108 that no record is shown later information shows us that a number of these are still active and some have graduated.

It is earnestly requested that any errors that are discovered in the book or any corrections that should be made be reported to the editor of the JOURNAL who will publish them immediately.

All who advised the Grand Historian that they would purchase a directory are requested to send in their dollars as the number printed was based on these orders. ALUMNI 319

ALUMNI

Next year a special effort will be made to interest the alumni. To this end that department of the JOURNAL will be handled entirely by Brother F. A. Price, '10, Kansas Alpha.

All alumni chapters and all individuals are requested to send all alumni news that they possibly can to Brother Price. He is located at Baldwin, Kansas. Alumni chapters particularly are requested to get in touch with Brother Price and to keep him informed in regard to the chapter's doings and of all of the brothers in their section.

ON THE CAMPUS

The girls at Wellesley have organized a fire department.

By a vote of nearly two to one the women at Wellesley voted against woman suffrage.

At Purdue University one hundred applicants applied for parts in the staging of the County Chairman. All of the scenery was built and all the music used was written by Purdue students.

At Baker University fifty-four per cent. of the students are working their way through.

A new department known as the "Department of Agricultural Extension" has been established at Purdue. The state legislature has appointed \$30,000 annually for its maintainence.

A fund amounting to over \$100,000 was left some ten years ago by a Mrs. Chrisman to establish a Methodist school in Topeka. The Topeka people failed to raise a like amount so the fund was given by the conference to Baker University that institution being the only Methodist school in the conference.

The inter-fraternity base ball league at the University of Pennsylvania has been reorganized. It is expected that of the 27 collegiate fraternities represented at Pennsylvania, three quarters will have base ball teams. Last year there were ten fraternities in the league, the victorious society being that of Kappa Sigma. This year each fraternity will play every other fraternity.

A special field is being graded for the fraternities on the property recently acquired by the university from the city. Every evening on the uncompleted diamond and in the quadrangle and the triangle of the dormitories the various candidates for the teams are to be seen pitching and catching ball. Judging by the enthusiasm shown thus far, all the games on the schedule will be hotly contested.

IMPORTANT EXHIBIT AT UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO TO MARK TER-CENTENARY OF THE KING JAMES BIBLE

An important exhibit of old and rare editions of the Bible, selected from the great historical collection in the library of the Divinity School of the University of Chicago, will be opened to the public about April 24, in Haskell Oriental Museum at the University. The exhibit will commemorate the Tercentenary of the Authorized or King James Version of the Bible, which will be observed by the Protestant churches of all English-speaking nations. The collection of Bibles at the University of Chicago is supposed to be the largest and most complete in America, and it will be possible to exhibit only a small part of it. Starting with the original collection of the American Bible Union, as a basis, the University has added to it by discovery and purchase.

The exhibit will show copies of practically all the important rare editions. It includes the Authorized Version of 1611, the Bishops' Bible of 1572, the Coverdale Bible and the Mathews Bible, from English sources. The great printers of the middle ages are represented. There is a copy of the Hebrew Bible issued from the press of Bomberg, in Venice, in the sixteenth century. The University is in possession of the fifth of the fourteen German Bibles issued before that of Martin Luther.

Probably one of the most interesting objects in the exhibit will be the Oxyrhyanchus fragment of the Gospel of Mark, found by the Egyptian expedition of the University of Chicago at the Egyptian city of that name ten years ago. It dates back to the fifth century. The collection of Bibles in Greek is especially complete. The first Greek New Testament to be given to the world, issued by Erasmus in 1516, is there, as well as the first one printed, the Complutensian Polyglot. This came from a Spanish press in 1514, before Erasmus completed his work, but was suppressed until 1521. There are also editions by Theodore Beza, Elzevir (1624), and Estienne (1550). Photographic facsimiles will be exhibited of the manuscripts now in the treasure house of the world, such as the fourth century manuscript now in the Vatican; the Bezan Codex of the fifth century, at Cambridge, and the Codex Alexandrinus, in the British Museum.

Dr. Ira M. Price, Professor of the Semitic Languages and Literatures in the University of Chicago, is chairman of the Bible Exhibit Committee in Chicago. The Committee on the celebration of the Tercentenary of the Authorized Version is composed of two laymen and two ministers from each of the principal Protestant denominations in Chicago. The Tercentenary will be observed in the churches by sectional rallies on April 30. On May 4, all denominations will join in a mass meeting in Orchestra Hall, at which William J. Bryan will give an address.—University of Chicago Press.

After a series of agitations which have lasted over a period of eight years, the fraternities at the University of Pennsylvania have adopted radical rules governing the "rushing" and pledging of candidates for membership. This agreement has been signed by twenty-one of the twenty-seven collegiate fraternities in the university and includes all of the important societies.

There are seven articles in the new code of regulations. They are as follows:

No chapter will entertain a freshman candidate for membership before noon of the Thursday previous to the opening of the university in the fall.

No invitation to join a chapter will be extended to a candidate until noon of the first Monday in December.

No acceptance from any such candidate will be received until noon of the second Monday in December. The acceptance must be made in writing.

Until the second Monday in December a candidate will at no time be allowed to remain in any chapter house over night.

Hereafter no chapter, or committee of a chapter, will entertain any man, neither will they cause him to be entertained, on their behalf or in their interest in any place except upon the campus of the university, and at the quarters of the fraternities.

No withdrawal from this agreement will be made by any chapter except upon three months' written notice to the signatories hereto.

Upon written request of any three chapters the signatories hereto agree to send delegates to a meeting of all chapters to confer upon any questions that may arise in connection with this agreement, and that the number of delegates be limited to two from each chapter.

Hitherto there have been no rules whatever regarding the "rushing" of candidates by the various fraternities. In many cases boys while in their last year at prep school were pledged to join fraternities. In most other cases the moment an eligible freshman put foot upon the campus he was snatched by some enterprising fraternity and whirled away in a rush of theatre and dinner parties until before he knew what he was doing he was wearing a pledge button.

The Pennsylvanian, the Red and Blue and all the other publica-

tions of the university students have for some time been criticising the evils of this system. Often a freshman was so impressed by his importance in making a fraternity that he failed altogether to see the glory of success in athletic and non-athletic contests.

On the other hand the fraternities frequently pledged unsatisfactory candidates in the rush for eligible men. It was because of the bad effects of this system upon freshmen and fraternities that the new agreement was made.

ALUMNI CHAPTERS

NEW ENGLAND ALUMNI

The New England Alumni Chapter extends most hearty greetings to every Σ Φ E brother.

It gives us great pleasure to be able to report that we are progressing, and that this month finds us with a well organized chapter. Our second meeting was held in Boston on the evening of March 18th. The usual "Spread" was enjoyed during which the old fraternal feelings of good-fellowship was present in full measure, every man seeming to enter enthusiastically into the spirit of the revival of "olden days." After the festivities were over the real purpose of the evening was taken up—namely, the framing of a constitution that would serve us as an Alumni chapter. The subject was not finished, but much work was done, and at the next meeting (April 29th) its completion is expected. The following brothers were present: Johnson, Moore, Macfarlane, Thompson, Knowles, Chester, Stambough, Perkins, Brown, Creed and Lynde.

We are very desirous of hearing from our active sister chapters. We would like your opinions of our alumni work, and would most cordially welcome your suggestions or criticisms. Communications may be addressed to the President W. F. Johnson, 60 Bow St., Somerville, Mass., or to the Historian, St. John's Hospital, Lowell, Mass. Realizing that the spring "round up" of examinations is not so far away we take this early opportunity of wishing every active brother the greatest success.

With cordial good wishes.

Fraternally,

Robert L. Jones, Historian. THE NEW ENGLAND ALUMNI CHAPTER.

ASHEVILLE ALUMNI CHAPTER OF SIGMA PHI EPSILON

On the evening of April 8th a small but enthusiastic band of loyal wearers of the "heart" assembled in the parlors of the Swannanoa Hotel and organized the Asheville Alumni Chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity with the following officers and members:

Jno. Cosby—President; North Carolina Beta.

Richard Loughran-Vive-president; Virginia Epsilon.

Jno. Carroll-Secretary; North Carolina Gamma.

Jack Way—Treasurer; North Carolina Gamma.

Paul Rockwell—Historian; Virginia Epsilon.

Owen Moore-North Carolina Beta.

Louie Hood—North Carolina Beta.

W. F. Brock-North Carolina Beta.

Kiffin Rockwell—Virginia Epsilon.

Lawrence Loughran-Virgina Epsilon (active).

Hal McCoy-North Carolina Gamma (active).

"Snake" Rembert—Virginia Theta (active).

We hope to be able to tell something more in our next letter besides merely of an organization.

We understand Brother John D. Cooper of North Carolina Beta will this summer have a house party at his summer home near Hendersonville, North Carolina. We wish to invite all brothers who are contemplating visiting western North Carolina to look us up when in Asheville as we are going to have some *lively doings* this summer. At present we are storing up energy for the coming vacation.

With best wishes and regards to all loyal Σ Φ Es' we are, Fraternally,

W. F. Brock.

ASHEVILLE ALUMNI.

KANSAS ALPHA'S ANNEX CHAPTER

The state of Kansas comes near having two chapters of Σ Φ E Only sixteen miles north of Baker University is the University of Kansas, one of the largest and strongest state institutions in the middle west. Six wearers of the heart from Kansas Alpha are in attendance at this institution this year, and are conspicuous in many phases of student life and activity. Their interest in Kansas Alpha has proved of much value to the chapter at Baker, and interchanging visits are of frequent occurence. The records of these men of



"Kansas Beta" are of particular pride to themselves and Kansas Alpha. Brother A. H. Fast graduated from Baker in 1909, and is now studying law. He is a member of $\Phi \Delta \Phi$, a leader in the Masque Dramatic Club, and has last speech and last rebuttal, this year on the Kansas-Colorado debate. Brother M. O. Locke is consul of $\Phi \Delta \Phi$ at the University and is a member of $\Delta \Sigma P$. He participated in the Kansas-Colorado debate in 1908, and the Kansas-Missouri debate in 1909. Last season he was regular pitcher on the crimson and blue team, and this year is the mainstay in the box. Brother F. F. Maple is a second year medic and a member of Φ B Π . He is a frequent visitor at Kansas Alpha chapter house. Brother W. B. Wise, an alumnus of Baker, class of 1907, is a graduate fellow in history. Brother H. E. Snyder is pursuing a law course. He played in the line in a number of Kansas football games this season, and was on the basketball squad both last year and this. Brother G. H. Yoe is a student in the engineering department. This is his first year in the State University and he is much missed from the active roll of Kansas Alpha.

F. H. Allis.

Kansas Alpha.

ALUMNI PERSONALS

VIRGINIA ALPHA

W. A. Wallace, Virginia Alpha, '02, is enjoying a lucrative medical practice at Spartanburg, S. C.

Tom V. McCaul, Virginia Alpha and Eta, is pastor of the Baptist church and chaplain of Clemson College, S. C. Tom is very popular with the students.

VIRGINIA GAMMA

Olin Davis, Virginia Gamma, '06, married April 27th to Miss Carrie Vickery at Trinity Episcopal Church, Fort Worth, Texas. Brother Davis is in business at Fort Worth, Texas.

Nelson Wampler is located at Culpeper, Virginia.

Georgia Alpha

Thomas D. Hunter, '15, was married on March 4th to Miss Minnie Radford Bowyer at Bristol, Va.-Tenn., where Brother Hunter has entered the business world.

E. D. Ivey who was compelled to give up his college work this year is located at Thomasville, Ga.

VIRGINIA ETA

We have just received a novel in Spanish by Luis A. de Borja; Amor Excelso. 1910, Libreria de Pueyo, Mesouero Romanos 10, Madrid. The book is a cleverly told love story with the mountainous scenery of Ecuador and the gay boulevards of Paris as a background. The author has used this setting with wonderful advantage. In the judgment of the reviewer, his simple, concise style augurs well for the success of any books he may write in the future.

Brother de Borja is the second member of our chapter to issue a book; Brother Carl Holliday, M. A. 1907, being the author of two volumes, A History of Southern Literature. 1906, and The Cotton-Picker and other poems, 1907. Both books are from the press of the Neale Publishing Co., New York and Washington. It is a source of pride to our chapter that the former publication is used

as a text-book in the course in Southern literature at the University of Virginia.

G. L. Doughty is practising law at Accomac, C. H. Virginia. George Walker is practising law at Heathsville, Virginia.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALPHA

Harry W. Houghton, Ph. D., '09, is the proud father of a bouncing boy. The "little Doc" is the official mascot of District of Columbia Alpha.

E. P. Gates, A. B., '08, LL. B., '10, has left for Illinois to engage in Christian Endeavor work as Field Secretary.

California Alumni

George T. McKinney, ex-'11, is employed in the engineering department of Balfour Guthrie Co., San Francisco.

R. T. Aitken, ex-'12, is stationary engineer for the Patricia Oil Co., Bakersfield, Cal.

THE GREEK PRESS

SAMUEL KNOX PHILLIPS.

The Exchange Editor desires to respectifully state that beginning with this issue, he will print no further lists of Exchanges received; but should any that have been coming to his desk fail to reach him, editors will be duly informed. By this action no discourtesy is intended. We are always glad to see and read the Exchanges, and perhaps our hardest problem is knowing what to clip and what to omit. We have received this time the largest number that has ever been before us, twenty-seven different fraternity publications.

ALL YOUSE GWINE TO GET

Now, chile, you-all had better stop Vo' whinin' an' complainin'
Jes' cuz de day you wants to play
It happens to be rainin'
It aint a-gwine to do no good
To worry and to fret
Caiz de kind ob wedder dat yo' got
Is all youse gwine to get.

Some folks is never satisfied—
No matter what dey got,
Dey want it warm when it is cold
An' cold jes when its hot.
Dey're worryin' bout dis an' dat
Mos' all de time, an yet
De kind ob wedder dat dey got
Is all dey's gwine to get.

An what I mean by wedder
Aint jes' de shine or rainin;
Its all de li'le things in life.
Dot aint helped by complainin',
An' when about sech things as dat
You 'gin to cry and fret,
Jes 'member, de wedder what you got
Is all youse gwine to get.

So whats de use, my li'le chile, To worry and complain? The lile flowers could never grow
If 'twasn't for de rain.
An' every thing will be alright
It neber helps to fret
Caiz jes' de wedder dat you got
Is all youse gwine to get.

In Anchora of Delta Gamma.

GLADYS GRIER.

"What we need is a frank realization of the fact that the Fraternity's highest service to its younger members is to foster in them ideals of good scholarship and then through the instrumentality of the chapters themselves strengthen where encouragement or discipline is needed."—Editor, Delta Upsilon Quarterly.

James B. Curtis, in the Delta Tau Delta Rainbow for March puts it well, when he says in his article entitled, "On the Level"—

"Fraternalism—not fratricide, construction—not destruction; should ever be uppermost in our minds. This is applicable to each of us as an individual, to each chapter as a unit and to the Fraternity as a whole. As individuals and chapters, we should, at all times, be "on the level" with one another. A true spirit of fraternalism demands this, and, without such a spirit no fraternity can hope to prosper."

He speaks beautifully of the service rendered Delta Tau Delta by her tireless, efficient and self-sacrificing officers, and concludes by saying,

"To them, therefore, each and every member of our Fraternity owes hearty support, as well as co-operation in the way of lending assistance, not only when it may be asked, but when it is discovered that it may be beneficial. If you will give to these men your hearty support, you will show that you believe in fraternalism and not fratricide. If you will help them in their efforts to elevate your Fraternity, and broaden its field of usefulness you will show that you believe in construction and not destruction. In short, if you will put into effect the broad principles of fraternalism and construction, in college and out, you will find that every one of you will daily grow prouder of the various chapters of the Fraternity and of the accomplishments of the alumni."

In the same way, $\Sigma \Phi E$ should be "on the level" in every attitude maintained to her honored and efficient Grand Officers.

We make no apology for printing in full the following article, in fact, we do it with a sense of duty heavy upon us. Why do not some of $\Sigma \Phi$ E's men now in the practice of their various professions,

whether medicine, law, the ministry, engineering or what not, use their pens for the JOURNAL along such lines. We will appreciate practical articles that will be of advantage to brethren now preparing for their life work. Get busy!

COLLEGE MEN AND SOCIAL EVILS

SECOND PAPER

BY FRANK WEILAND, A. M., M. D.

Dear Bro. Rogers:

My first paper on "College Men and Social Evils," which you were good enough to publish in The Rainbow some months back, was so well received, not only by our fraternity men, but by the editors of other fraternity journals, that I have yielded to your request to write further upon the subject. I like to think that the interest shown in it was actual. It is hard, in discussing a subject of this sort, not to seem to be sensational, even when one is adhering to cold facts. It is extremely difficult to confine oneself to data suitable for appearance in a journal like this. And yet there never was a topic so vital to college men. Personally, I feel confident that as our undergraduates become better informed on their own physiology, pathology will take care of itself.

For the past few years I have been giving a series of illustrated lectures on these subjects in the various Field Houses throughout Chicago. Many hundreds of men and boys belong to these Social Centres, to take advantage of the gymnasia and field sports. I have made it a point to impress upon these boys that diseases of a social nature are curable, if they have intelligent consideration of both physician and patient. One of these clubs is in charge of a minister, a wonderfully high-class Scotchman, who has given up his church to devote his life to rescue work among boys. After my lecture he said to me, "Doctor, I think you make a mistake when you tell these boys that if they become infected they can be cured. You ought to make the picture so dreadful that they will be afraid to fall even into temptation." I believe that it was the plan of some of the early Christian warriors to baptize their conquered armies by force. They would drive them wholesale into the water, pronounce them absolved of sin, and hence Christians, whether they would or no. minister is somewhat of that type. He would have me be false to my medical observations for the good of the cause. His argument is "Keep the boys straight and moral, even if you have to shatter a few Commandments to accomplish it. The end will justify the means."

I still think that I am right. Even Syphilis, which for hundreds of years has been the dread and the scourge of men, is slowly yielding. There are fewer cases than there used to be, and infections seem to be less virulent. It is being eradicated, just as small-pox and typhus and yellow fever will eventually be eradicated, by the intelligent co-operation of the patient with the physician who

has his case in charge. However, I don't wish to be misunderstood. Granting the tendency that syphilis has, in these days, to become an obsolete disease, it is still fearfully infectious. It is old as history, for the Bible and other chronicles tell of its ravages. There are said to be over 2,000,000 cases in the United States, although it is quite impossible to place any estimate upon the number.

In our ward at the County Hospital we had, at one time, eight syphilitic women waiting to be delivered of children. Inherited syphilis is quite hopeless, and congenital cases have little chance at all. We have one whole floor given over to these unfortunate infants, and those born with gonorrheal conjunctivitis; and the nurses in handling them must wear rubber gloves, just as if these new-born infants were hardened social criminals. It is so easy for one to be infected innocently with syphilis that I always caution my patients never to drink from a cup common to the use of many people; never to kiss anyone on the lips; never to kiss any questionable person at all, and never to use anyone's else pipe. An infection is immediate, measures used afterwards are useless. If a man whose morals are clean keeps himself physically clean he is not apt to run into trouble. But everyone ought to be eternally cautious.

It has occured to me that if instead of talking in the abstract I should present a few cases from my records, what I wish to convey to the boys would be more intelligible than if I presented cold pathological facts. So I shall confine this very brief paper to a consideration of several cases that are quite typical of all of these diseases.

There came to Chicago, a few years ago, an Englishman of good family and high personal attainments, to marry a daughter of one of our city's most prominent families. The father of the girl, knowing that her home would be across the water, many hundreds miles from her old associations, wished to insure her happiness in every possible way. He had a long heart-to heart talk with the young officer, and finally required of him that he submit to a thorough examination by the family physician to see whether an infection, acquired some years back, in India, was entirely eradicated. The young man was no doubt thoroughly conscientious in his belief that he was clean, but the result of the examination was that one large order of finely engraved wedding invitations went into the waste basket, and one quite discomforted would-be-bridegroom went back to England alone. The father was right. He had the foresight to know that an invalid wife can rarely hold the affections of her husband; that an inevitable operation for the pelvic abscess was better avoided than experienced, even if a few hearts were temporarly disabled. He had no desire for defective grandchildren, even if their blood was to have a tinge of blue in it from an English alliance. Fathers of girls are getting very canny-and so, by the way, are the girls themselves. Greek and Latin are not the only things that modern education is teaching the young women of our colleges and universities.

There came into my office one afternoon two young men. They were about as nearly alike as two boys could be. Each weighed about one hundred and eighty pounds, each was a six footer, of about twenty years of age. One was a student in a medical college, and the other a bookkeeper. Both had venereal infections of the syphilitic type. I saw the first one, looked him over, and told him the nature of his disease. He looked at me a moment, and he could not have looked more distressed if I had told him that he was going to be hanged. He then fell in a dead faint on the floor. When he recovered himself he told me that his whole future was ruined. What his immediate future held for him I do not know, but he was absolutely crushed by the knowledge of his disease. He killed himself. The second patient, who happened in an hour later, proved to be syphilitic also. After the experience of the hour before, I was a little undecided as to the wisdom of telling him the truth at once, for these big fellows falling in faints are quite detrimental to the office furniture. But I did tell him, and he said, "Then I want to do everything I can to get well." He has never for a moment neglected himself, and he is the huskiest looking boy you ever saw. He gave up his dissipated life, began to get more rest, chose his food with sense, cut out all alcohols; and when I saw him last, he had gained eight pounds and his skin was like an infant's, where before it looked something like a Persian rug. Here were two men of exactly dissimilar types. One could see no bright side to a condition so dreadfully tragical. The other took a philosophical view of things, even while realizing their seriousness. One of them is lost to the world, and his death carried with it many broken hearts. The other is a useful citizen-not yet well-but with the courage to face a proposition that is hard. So even in the consideration of venereal diseases the mind is no mean factor. I am not a Christian Scientist, but I have learned much from the optimism of this religious sect. But optimism, especially in the case of specific diseases, must be associated with some very rigid rules of conduct, and some very distinct specific treatment.

And then, there is the story of Bill, Bill was not really his name, but I have discovered that Bill is a good alias, and, as a name, disguises a multitude of personalities. He has red hair. If I mention this at all, it is only because I have always thought that the sex problems of red-head boys are a little more trying than usual. He was only sixteen years of age when, in company with a lot of boys a little older, he started out one night to paint the town. The town next morning was as colorless and as heartless as ever, and as cynical; for the wrecking of a half dozen of young lives was an old and tiresome tale to it. But what of Bill? He was working down town in a large mail-order house, and his weekly envelope contained just seven dollars. As the result of that night's outing, and it was the first and the last in his experience, he has, for four years now, paid out from four to five dollars a week for medical care. He was living at home and he thought that he did not dare tell what had happened to him. He wanted to be cured in a hurry, which all medical men know is quite impossible. As a result of too early and too severe treatment

he developed a deep infection, which resulted in a prostatic abscess. He is now twenty years of age, a shabby, broken down old man. At the time of life when he should be playing ball at his noon hour periods, when he should be spending his evenings swimming and wrestling and piling up energy and strength, he is a wreck, sexless, hopeless—and Bill is twenty years old, and in his whole life had one "night out!" Is this an unusual case? It is not. Ninety-five per cent. of the diseases of this type are complicated with deep infections, and the great majority of them result in sterility. That he was ever infected at all is a grave economic disaster, for he is now of the sort of which anarchists are made, at war with everything. But given the infection that he has, with its complications, his condition is not absolutely negative, economically. His troubles, as far as venereal disease is concerned, will stop where they are. Nature is occasionally conservative, and protects herself.

And then there is the story of Arthur, and his name really was Arthur. He has been dead several years now. I went into the venereal ward one morning and saw there a rather unusual sight, a handsome youth of fourteen years of age. In our ward the patients are most often men, of the hobo type, who are not prepossessing in any way. A boy should not have been there at all, but in our colossal County Hospital there is no place for a venereal patient except with adults, after one has passed the age of seven. So I said to him, "Hello, there, youngster, I'll bet I know your name." In an institution of many hundred beds, where all are charity patients, where everything must be done by routine, where the actual work must be done by internes whose diplomas still smell of India ink, where all patients are regarded more or less a material, no one person gets into very close personal touch with his physician. I think we can pardon Arthur's bursting into tears, just at being noticed at all; for being shut up in a ward with several scores of diseased tramps, when he was so anxious to be playing ball in the vacant lot, in the air and sunshine, had rather gotten on his nerves. He was so young and husky looking, he was so like a Delt I had known down at one of the Indiana chapters, that he looked to be a younger copy of him. So I always called him by the name of that Delt, and one young attorney struggling up to fame in Kentucky may consider the compliment a doubtful one.

This boy of fourteen years, who had not yet wakened to himself, was on his way to school one morning. A woman, standing in a window on West Madison St., motioned to him, and he, scenting the prospect of an errand, with its consequent nickel or dime, entered the house. He did not go to school that morning. The woman did not plunge a knife into him—that would have been too merciful a death. She only infected him with syphilis. His mother was a poor woman, proud of her boy, proud of being able to keep him in school when so many of his mates were obliged to be at work. As his disease took hold of him she was forced to send him to the County Hospital, where his treatment would be without expense. He died very suddenly one morning of syphilitic degeneration of the heart. He was too young to stand the strain of the disease.

I have had a large experience in the past fifteen years in venereal work, but I want to say to you all that I rebelled at this boy's death. It was the cruelest murder. If he had gone out after an initiation, with a crowd of half drunk, foolish college boys, he would have been in a measure responsible. But he was the cleanest, frankest, most innocent boy that ever lived—one of the most heroic—for during those many weeks of illness he never uttered one syllable of complaint. And yet you, many of you at least, with high-class home training, with a perfect knowledge of all the risk you run, go openly and brazenly up against a game in which no one has ever yet won out.

Was Arthur's case unusual? A little so. And yet the Municipal Court sent to me, at the County, two boys, one of seven years and one of twelve, both infected by a girl of fifteen, to be under my care for venereal disease. I talked to the woman from West Madison St., for she was an out patient at the dispersary all the time. I told her what I thought of a woman in her condition, thus disseminating disease, and she replied, "O h—II, I'll put as many boys and men to the bad as I can, to get even with the man who put me there." So there you are, Mr. Freshman, with your mad desire to be known as a sport among your college mates. A night of cheap beer, the accompaniment of soft music from a mechanical piano, a fling at the red-light district, and a long time to repent for it.

I know what you are saying to yourselves, you that have escaped lightly, or absolutely—that I am making a gallery play—that I am taking advantage of my knowledge of an interesting topic to write a dramatic article in order that I may frighten my young fraternity brothers into propriety. You assume that your elders must preach, and on the topic on which they are best informed. Guess again, you husky football heroes to whom conquests come very easily, you leaders of the college germans, in the limelight for one brief period. I have only told you some of the incidents that attend the earning of my daily bread.

Are these two talks that I have given you proper topics for a college fraternity journal? Why not? When a boy enters his freshman year he cuts adrift from home. He may not know this, but it is true. The call of his old home associations will be very strong, oftentimes; but always there will be the call of the world, which holds his future, and the latter will be bound to win, as it should. Fainter and fainter will become the influence of the moral lessons that he had learned at home as he comes to think that possibly they were only platitudes, a part of home training, like going to Sunday School and polishing one's shoes for the Sabbath. He has come to learn that polished shoes are in bad form for a college man, and that only at rare intervals may a dull shine be indulged in. Possibly the moral lectures, too, are out of date—or possibly he has never had any, a too sensitive mother or father having failed in the courage to mention questionable topics.

Our RAINBOW would have little excuse for existence, if it were a journal of gossip only. Alumni enjoys its special features, and its personals that keep

them informed as to the doings of their college mates. But a fraternity journal should be educative also. If we assume the responsibility for our undergraduates we should leave nothing undone that will help them fight their battles and aid them in winning out. If this letter will make even one Delt stop and think, I shall be justified in having thus overstepped conventionalities.

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